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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

Thomas L. Davis

Albert W. Leighton

James O. Wilder

TOWN CLERK

Billye Waldron

TOWN TREASURER

Bertha Huckins

TAX COLLECTOR

Marjorie Stiles

MODERATOR

Russell C. Shillaber

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Jo Ann Brown

Myrtle Hammer

Dorothy Bernaatz

HEALTH OFFICER

Neil Mooers

AUDITORS

Stephen J. Seeman, Ph.D

Robert Sawyer

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

M. Justine Leighton

Errol Clark

Eleanor G. Sawyer

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Katrina Rhodes

Ann Tabory

Bernice Omand

LIBRARIAN

Ellen E. Stiles

FIRE WARDEN

Glen Pierce

DEPUTIES

George Thorne
Harley Winkley

John MacDougall
Howard Ambrose

ROAD AGENT

Radford Messenger

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Robert L. Evans

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Neil Mooers

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Robert Pelletier

William Porter

Carl Brown - Chief of Police

R. Stephen Leighton

E. Laurentz

Alan Williams - Dog Officer

PLANNING BOARD

Lester Huckins

Thomas Davis

Mark Thompson

David Dupee

David Whitcher

ALTERNATES

Gary Reynolds

John Creamer

John Penney

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Philip Dame

Rene A. Morin

Robert Chadbourn

Michael Barry

R. Stephen Leighton

ALTERNATES

Albert Leighton

George Thorne

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Bozak

Gail Barry

Jo Ann Brown

Neil Mooers

James Cullen

Marion Conroy

Robert Evans

RECREATION COMMISSION

Harmony Anderson

Richard Omand

Kay Gruwell

Ronald Hernon

Bruce Patrick

**TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

The polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Strafford in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Strafford Elementary School in said Strafford on Tuesday, the Twelfth (12th) day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

- ** 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

**NOTE: All articles except No. 1 will be taken up at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, 1985 at the Elementary School.

3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set offs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purposes and in amounts indicated and further to authorize the Selectmen to make pro-rate reductions in the amounts if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other action hereon.

APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT
Ambulance	\$1,000
Dispatch Equipment Replacement	\$1,500
Fire Department	\$2,500
Recreation Commission	\$1,000
Library	\$1,000
Replace Bridge - Theopold road	\$5,000
Police Department	\$1,000
Rural District Health	\$1,000

4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$12,450 for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing).

5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$18,000 to operate and maintain the Strafford Fire Department and Rescue Squad. (\$16,000 for the Fire Dept. and \$2,000 for the Rescue Squad.) (\$2,500 from Revenue Sharing.)

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the replacement of hose and the purchase of protective turn-out gear.

7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,900 for

the reinsulation of the three Fire Stations, to install two (2) new garage doors at the Crown Point Station and install three (3) garage door openers.

8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 as the Town share of the cost of providing ambulance service by the Center Barnstead Fire Department. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing).

9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,550 as Strafford's share of the purchase of replacement equipment for the Strafford County Dispatch Center. (\$1,500 from Revenue Sharing).

10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$150,000 for Highways and Bridges.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to replace the bridge located on Theopold road. (\$5,000 from Revenue Sharing).

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,963.75 for the support of the Rural District Health Council. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing.)

13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300 for support of the Conservation Commission.

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$8,280 for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Library. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing.)

15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,650 for the support of the Recreation Commission. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing.)

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,000 for Public Welfare.

17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$40,000 to operate and maintain the Town's solid waste disposal center.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300 as a donation to the Bow Lake Community Club to help defray the cost of the Fourth of July fireworks display.

19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300 for the observance of Memorial Day.

20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$500 for the support of the Strafford County Community Action Program.

21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$925 to help defray the cost of the continuing water quality testing program for Bow Lake being conducted by the University of N.H. for the Bow Lake Camp Owners Association.

22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize, as required under RSA 36:46-II, membership in the Strafford Regional Planning Commission and appropriate the sum of \$1,156 as dues for membership in the Commission.

23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Planning Board, as permitted under RSA 674:5, to prepare and amend a recommended program of municipal capital improvement projects projected over a period of at least six (6) years.

24. To see if the Town will vote to increase hourly wage by \$0.25 per hour.

25. To see if the Town will approve and appropriate money for a change in the Town Clerk's salary from \$1,000 to \$1,200 per year.

26. To see if the Town will approve and appropriate money for a change in the Tax Collector's salary from \$2,000 to \$2,200 per year.

27. To see if the Town will approve and appropriate money for a change in the Town Treasurer's salary from \$1,400 to \$1,600 per year.

28. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of hiring a professional Town Manager to administer the Town of Strafford. Said committee to consist of from five to seven taxpayers of which at least two will be from the signers below. Said committee to check approximate cost to Town and to determine if professional management would result in a more efficient and economical administration. Said committee to report findings to Strafford citizens at a special meeting to be held in approximately six months. By Petition.

29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the State, Federal, or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the year in accordance with procedures set forth in RSA 21:95b.

30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize prepayment of resident taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments as provided by RSA 80:1a.

31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey property or tax liens acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's Deed, by public auction, or advertised sealed bid or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen or as justice may require.

32. To see if the Town will grant a 2% discount on taxes paid within ten days of the mailing of the tax bill.

33. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

34. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-five.

Thomas L. Davis
James O. Wilder

Albert W. Leighton
Selectmen of Strafford

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD, N.H.

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations 1984 (1984-85)	Actual Expenditures 1984 (1984-85)	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1985 (1985-86)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Town Officers Salary	9,000	8,531	9,600
Town Officers Expenses	11,200	9,853	11,000
Election and Registration Exps.	1,500	2,187	2,400
General Government Buildings	3,000	3,588	5,600
Reappraisal of Property	3,000	2,307	3,000
Planning and Zoning	2,000	1,748	2,000
Legal Expenses	2,000	367	2,000
Advertising and Regional Association	1,200	172	600
Contingency Fund	2,000	852	2,000
Auto Permits	3,000	3,462	4,000
Membership in Regional Planning Commission	-0-	-0-	1,156
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	12,450	8,484	12,450
Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad	13,585	14,858	18,000
Civil Defense	250	-0-	250
Building Inspection	-0-	1,577	2,000
HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES			
Town Maintenance	100,000	93,801	100,000
General Highway Dept. Exps.	50,000	63,178	50,000
Street Lighting	1,600	1,547	1,700
SANITATION			
Solid Waste Disposal	30,000	36,081	40,000
HEALTH			
Health Department & Rural Dist. Health	5,860	5,859	5,963
Ambulances	5,950	5,950	6,500
Animal Control	1,500	868	1,000
Vital Statistics	400	104	400
Strafford Rescue Team	2,500	2,286	-0-
Training Rescue Crew	1,000	-0-	-0-

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations 1984 (1984-85)	Actual Expenditures 1984 (1984-85)	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1985 (1985-86)
WELFARE			
General Assistance & Welfare	15,000	5,194	15,000
Community Action Program	500	500	500
CULTURE AND RECREATION			
Library	7,070	6,809	8,280
Parks and Recreation	4,650	3,635	5,650
Patriotic Purposes Fireworks	600	600	600
Conservation Commission	300	215	300
Water Testing Bow Lake	1,100	1,100	925
DEBT SERVICE			
Interest Expense - Long-Term			
Bonds & Notes	-0-	-0-	4,590
Interest Expense - Tax Antici-			
pation Notes	6,000	14,100	14,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY			
Recreation Dept. Fence &			
Attendant	3,000	2,195	-0-
Purchase & Equip. new fire			
truck	100,000	100,000**	-0-
Bridge - Theopold Road			35,000
Equip. for Dispatch Center			2,550
Replace hose & purchase turn-			
out gear			5,000
Insulate fire stations, doors, &			
openers			3,900
MISCELLANEOUS			
FICA, Retirement & Pension			
Contributions	3,500	3,377	3,500
Insurance	12,000	11,325	12,000
Total Appropriations	416,715	416,710	393,414
**Represents actual disbursement and encumbrance at 12-31-84.			
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes			199,900
Amount of Taxes to be Raised			193,514
(Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue 1984 (1984-85)	Actual Revenue 1984 (1984-85)	Estimated Revenue 1985 (1985-86)
TAXES			
Resident Taxes	12,000	12,450	12,000
Yield Taxes	15,000	13,594	14,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	10,000	13,871	10,000
Inventory Penalties	200	-0-	-0-
Current Use Land Change Penalties		2,350	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - STATE			
Shared Revenue - Block Grant	42,500	42,294	40,000
Highway Block Grant	30,000	34,513	30,000
Wardens training		26	
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	60,000	94,769	70,000
Dog Licenses	1,100	952	1,000
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	1,500	2,283	2,100
Refunds		1,968	
Insurance adjustments		45	
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Depts. Rec., Cons., & books	1,000	3,478	2,000
Plan. Bd. & Bd. of Adj.	500	998	700
Vital Statistics	150	104	100
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interest on Deposits	5,000	7,279	6,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Proceeds of bonds and Long Term Notes	65,000	65,000**	
Revenue Sharing Fund	5,000	9,708	12,000
Total Revenues and Credits	248,950	305,682	199,900

**Notes authorized and unissued as of 12-31-85

FINANCIAL REPORT

For The Calendar Year Ended December 31, 1984

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief. Dated 12 February 1985.

Thomas L. Davis, James O. Wilder, Albert W. Leighton, Selectmen

ASSETS

Cash		
All funds in custody of treasurer	167,033.14	
Savings Account (Revenue Sharing)	<u>261.66</u>	
TOTAL CASH		167,294.80
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Recycling Center (Prin. & Int.)	<u>60,055.19</u>	
Total Capital Reserve Funds		60,055.19
UNREDEEMED TAXES:		
(a) Levy of 1983	30,183.52	
(b) Levy of 1982	<u>13,641.32</u>	
Total Unredeemed Taxes		43,824.84
UNCOLLECTED TAXES:		
(a) Levy of 1984	170,191.63	
(b) Levy of 1983	243.66	
(c) Previous Years	<u>181.72</u>	
Total Uncollected Taxes		<u>170,617.01</u>
Total Assets		<u><u>441,791.84</u></u>
Fund Balance - December 31, 1983	179,666.12	
Fund Balance - December 31, 1984	167,033.14	
Change in Financial Condition	12,632.98	

LIABILITIES

Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't)	14,248.36	
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable	<u>349,685.00</u>	
Total Accounts Owed by the Town		363,933.36
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Recycling Center	<u>60,055.19</u>	
Total Capital Reserve Funds		<u>60,055.19</u>
Total Liabilities		423,988.55
Fund Balance - Current Surplus		<u>17,803.29</u>
Grand Total		<u><u>441,791.84</u></u>

RECEIPTS

FROM LOCAL TAXES:

Property Taxes - Current Year 1984	797,335.05	
Resident Taxes - Current Year 1984	11,240.00	
Yield Taxes - Current Year 1984	13,242.43	
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes -		
Previous Years	92,549.09	
Resident Taxes - Previous Years	1,210.00	
Land Use Change Tax - Current and		
Prior Years	2,350.00	
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes . .	13,678.87	
Penalties: Resident Taxes	193.00	
Tax sales redeemed	46,748.98	
Posting Costs & Abatements	<u>3,471.94</u>	
Total Taxes Collected and Remitted . . .		982,019.36

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES - STATE

Shared Revenue	42,294.45	
Highway Block Grant	34,513.90	
Wardens Training	26.71	
Vital Statistics	<u>104.00</u>	
Total Intergovernmental Revenues . . .		76,939.06

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	94,769.00	
Dog Licenses	952.50	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing		
Fees	<u>56.00</u>	
Total Licenses and Permits		95,777.50

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Income from Departments - History Bk.		
& Cons. Comm.	3,478.24	
Plan. Bd. & Bd. of Adj.	998.00	
Building Permits	<u>2,227.00</u>	
Total Charge for Services		6,703.24

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Interest on Deposits	7,279.11	
Taxes Bought by Town	42,343.93	
Insurance adjustments	45.00	

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES CONT.

Refunds	<u>1,968.80</u>	
Total Miscellaneous Revenues		51,636.84

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Proceeds of Long Term Notes \$65,000**		
Revenue Sharing Entitlement Funds	<u>9,708.00</u>	
Total Other Financing Sources		9,708.00

NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	425,000.00	
Yield Tax Security Deposits	<u>14,248.36</u>	
Total Non-Revenue Receipts		<u>439,248.36</u>
Total Receipts from All Sources		1,662,032.36
Cash on hand January 1, 1984		<u>179,666.12</u>
Grand Total		1,841,698.48

**Notes authorized and unissued, as of 12-31-84.

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town officers' salaries	8,531.21	
Town officers' expenses	9,853.64	
Election and Registration expenses	2,187.25	
General Government Buildings	3,588.76	
Reappraisal of Property	2,307.32	
Planning and Zoning	1,748.60	
Legal Expenses	367.50	
Advertising and Regional Association	172.00	
Contingency Fund	<u>852.96</u>	
Total General Governmental Expenses		29,609.24

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	8,484.80	
Fire Department	14,858.45	
Building Inspection	1,577.25	
Other Public Safety Expenses -		
Auto Permits	<u>3,462.50</u>	
Total Public Safety Expenses		28,383.00

HIGHWAYS, STREET, BRIDGES

Town Maintenance	93,801.50	
General Highway Department Expenses	63,178.81	
Street Lighting	<u>1,547.66</u>	
Total Highways and Bridges Expenses		158,527.97

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	<u>36,081.17</u>	
Total Sanitation Expenses		36,081.17

HEALTH

Hospitals and Ambulances RDH	11,809.75	
Animal Control	868.51	
Vital Statistics	104.00	
Other Health Expenses -Rescue Team SMERT	<u>2,286.64</u>	
Total Health Expenses		15,068.90

WELFARE

General Assistance	4,857.68	
Old Age Assistance	<u>337.25</u>	
Total Welfare Expenses		5,194.93

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Library	6,809.00	
Parks and Recreation	3,635.88	
Patriotic Purposes	600.00	
Conservation Commission	<u>215.00</u>	
Total Culture and Recreational Expenses		11,259.88

DEBT SERVICE

Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	<u>14,100.90</u>	
Total Debt Service Payments		14,100.90

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Rec. Dept. fence	2,195.00	
Water testing Bow Lake	1,100.00	
Purchase & Equip. new fire truck **\$100,000	<u>50,527.50</u>	

CAPITAL OUTLAY cont.		
Community Action	500.00	
Total Capital Outlay		54,322.50
MISCELLANEOUS		
FICA, Retirement & Pension Contributions	3,424.50	
Insurance	11,325.04	
Total Miscellaneous Expenses		14,749.54
UNCLASSIFIED:		
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes ...	425,000.00	
Taxes bought by town	42,343.93	
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds ...	6,059.57	
Refund and Payment from Yield Tax Escrow Fund	6,671.81	
Total Unclassified Expenses		480,075.31
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:		
Taxes paid to County	158,660.00	
Payments to School Districts (1984 Tax \$338,632)(1985 Tax \$330,000)	668,632	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		827,292.00
Total Payments for all Purposes		1,674,665.34
Cash on hand December 31, 1984		167,033.14
Grand Total		1,841,698.48

**Represents actual disbursement & encumbrance at 12-31-84

BONDS AND LONG TERM NOTES AUTHORIZED-UNISSUED:
As of December 31, 1984, June 30, 1985

Fire Truck	Year - 1984	Amount - 65,000
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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION TAXES ASSESSED 1984

Purposes of Appropriations	For Use By Town
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:	
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 9,000
Town Officers' Expenses	11,200
Election and Registration expenses	1,500
General Government Buildings	3,000
Reappraisal of property	3,000
Planning and Zoning	2,000
Legal Expenses	2,000
Advertising and Regional Association	1,200
Contingency Fund	2,000
Auto Permits	3,000
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police Department	12,450
Fire Department	13,585
Civil Defense	250
HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES	
Town Maintenance	100,000
General Highway Department Expenses	50,000
Street Lighting	1,600
SANITATION	
Solid Waste Disposal	30,000
HEALTH	
Health Department & R.D.H.C.	5,860
Hospitals and Ambulances	5,950
Animal Control	1,500
Vital Statistics	400
S.M.E.R.T.	2,500
Training of Rescue Crew	1,000
WELFARE	
General Assistance & Welfare	15,000
CULTURE AND RECREATION	
Library	7,070

CULTURE AND RECREATION cont.	
Parks and Recreation	\$ 4,650
Patriotic Purposes & Fireworks	600
Conservation Commission	300
DEBT SERVICE	
Interest Expense - Tax Anticipation Notes	6,000
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
Rec. Dept. Fence & Attendant	3,000
Water Testing - Bow Lake	1,100
Purchase & Equip. New Fire Truck	100,000
Strafford County Community Action	500
MISCELLANEOUS	
FICA, Retirement & Pension Contributions	3,500
Insurance	12,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$416,715</u>
OVERLAY	\$ 30,000

SOURCES OF REVENUE	For Use By Town
TAXES	
Resident Taxes	\$ 12,320
Yield Taxes	15,000
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	10,000
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES-STATE	
Shared Revenue-Block Grant	14,686
Highway Block Grant	34,514
LICENSES AND PERMITS	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	60,000
Dog Licenses	1,100
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	1,500
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	
Income from Departments - Rec. Comm. & Misc. ..	1,000
Planning Bd. & Bd. of Adjustment	500
Vital Statistics	150

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Interests on Deposits	\$ 5,000
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Proceeds of Bonds and Long-Term Notes	65,000
Revenue Sharing Fund	5,000
Fund Balance 75,656 - 17,586	
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	<u>\$283,770</u>

WAR SERVICE TAX CREDITS	Limits	Number	Estimated Tax Credits
1. Paraplegic, double amputees owning specially adapted homesteads with V.A. assistance	Unlimited		Exempt
2. Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and the widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty.	\$700	3	\$ 2,100
3. All other qualified persons	\$ 50	189	9,450
Total Number and Amount		192	<u>\$11,550</u>

	Tax	Number Assessed	Total Amount Assessed
Resident Taxes	\$ 10	1,232	\$12,320

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Total Town Appropriations	416,715
Total Revenues and Credits	283,770
Net Town Appropriations	132,945
Net School Tax Assessment(s)	679,685
County Tax Assessment	158,660
Total of Town, School and County	971,290
DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax	
Reimbursement	(27,608)
ADD War Service Credits	11,550
ADD Overlay	29,478
Property Taxes To Be Raised	984,710

PROOF OF TAX RATE COMPUTATION

VALUATION	TAX RATE	PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED
\$53,026,977	X 18.57	= \$984,710

TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property Taxes to be Raised	984,710
Less War Service Credits	-11,550
Total Tax Commitment	973,160

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

TAX RATES	Prior Year Tax Rate 1983	1984 Approved Tax Rate
Town	2.88	3.16
County	2.77	2.94
School Dist.	11.95	12.47
Municipal Tax Rate	17.60	18.57

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Tom Davis	\$1,400.00
James Wilder	1,200.00
Albert Leighton	1,200.00
Marjorie Stiles	2,000.00
Bertha Huckins	1,400.00
Billye Waldron	999.00
Stephen Seeman	100.00
Robert Sawyer	100.00
M. Justine Leighton	120.00

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

Pitney Bowes	\$ 716.40
Brown & Saltmarsh	171.49
Register of Deeds	349.40
Gloria Creamer	3,798.61
Harold McDonald	80.40
Neil Mooers	157.80
Treas. State of N.H.	11.00
Real Data Corp.	25.00
Marjorie Stiles	178.20
Billye Waldron	53.15

Studley's Florist	25.00
Anita Evans (Town Calendar)	21.75
Ridings Press, Inc.	1,083.00
Bertha Huckins	32.63
Village Printer	225.90
Homestead Press	17.80
Meaders	119.85
Postmaster - Ctr. Strafford	1,405.00
Equity Publishing	78.45
C & R Printing	31.20
Susan Barnes	896.61
Municipal Computer Service	375.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
As of December 31, 1984

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$	51,000
Furniture and Equipment	\$	3,500
Libraries, Lands and Buildings		35,200
Furniture and Equipment		3,500
Police Department, Equipment		11,000
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings		67,500
Equipment		53,500
Highway Department, Equipment		500
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds		8,500
Schools, Lands and Buildings, Equipment		788,000
Recycling Center, Land & Equipment		24,000
Conservation Land		129,200
Total	\$	1,175,400

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1984

Receipts

Balance January 1, 1984	\$	177,985.60	
Receipts 1984		1,662,032.36	
Revenue Sharing 1983		<u>1,680.52</u>	\$1,841,698.48

Expenditures

Expenditures, 1984	\$	1,674,665.34	
Balance Checking acct. Dec. 31, 1984		<u>167,033.14</u>	\$1,841,698.48

BankEast

Bank Book No. 302317 (Revenue Sharing)

Deposited, 1984	\$	9,708.00	
Interest, 1984		261.66	
Withdrawal		<u>- 9,708.00</u>	
Balance	\$		261.66

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1984**

Receipts:

1984 Motor Vehicle Permits	
2303 permits issued	\$94,720.00
1984 Dog Licenses	
221 licenses issued	952.50
1984 Marriage Licenses	
8 licenses issued	104.00
1984 Filing Fees	
8 filing fees	10.00
1984 Returned Check Fees	
4 checks returned	<u>20.00</u>
	\$95,806.50

REMITTANCE TO TOWN TREASURER

2303 Motor Vehicle Permits	\$94,720.00
221 Dog Licenses	952.50
8 Marriage Licenses	104.00
8 Filing Fees	10.00
4 Returned Checks	<u>20.00</u>
	\$95,806.50

Billye M. Waldron
Town Clerk

TOWN MEETING - MARCH 13, 1984

At the legal Town Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Starfford in said State, the following action was taken on the Warrant on Tuesday, March 13, 1984.

The meeting held at the Strafford Elementary School in Strafford, was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Moderator Russell Shillaber. The Polls were delcared open for voting on Articles 1 and 3 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with all other articles to be taken up at 8:00 p.m. of the same day.

The business meeting was declared open at 8:00 p.m. by Moderator Russell Shillaber who declared all articles to be properly before the meeting and seconded unless otherwise specifically proceeded.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. The following officers were declared elected and administered the oath of office before the Moderator:

Number of eligible voters on list	1,040
Number of votes cast	262
Selectman, 3 years - Thomas Davis	223
Moderator, 2 years - Russell Shillaber	192
Auditor, 2 years - Robert Sawyer	230
Road Agent, 1 year - Radford Messenger	215
Supervisor Check List, 6 years - D. Barneetz	260
Trustee of Trust Funds - Kip Burgess	232
Library Trustee - Katrina Rhodes	237

2. This Article passed to end of meeting.

3. To consider the adoption of Amendments to Land Use and Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board. These items appear on the official ballot:

1. Yes - 149	No - 95
2. Yes - 199	No - 54
3. Yes - 180	No - 77
4. Yes - 184	No - 75
5. Yes - 180	No - 70
6. Yes - 175	No - 74
7. Yes - 192	No - 57
8. Yes - 194	No - 60
9. Yes - 144	No - 104
10. Yes - 172	No - 55
11. Yes - 163	No - 74
12. Yes - 88	No - 77
13. Yes - 124	No - 122
14. Yes - 176	No - 38

4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set offs against budgeted appropriations for the following specific purposes and in amounts herein indicated or take any other action thereon:

APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT
Ambulance	\$1,000
Fire Department	\$1,000
Library	\$1,000
Police Department	\$1,000
Rural Health	\$1,000

At this point George Waldron was recognized. He noted that severe storm conditions existed and since many couldn't attend he made a motion that the Meeting be cancelled until Saturday, March 17. Vote on his motion was negative and the vote on Article 4 was affirmative.

5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$12,450 for the operation and maintenance of the Police Department (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing). Vote in affirmative.

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,950 as the Town's share of the cost of providing ambulance service by the Center Barnstead Fire Department (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing). Motion by Gil Donahue to change motion to read: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,950 as the Town's share of the cost of providing ambulance service. Vote to change Article in negative. Vote on Article as written in affirmative.

7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$150,000 for Highways and Bridges. Vote in affirmative.

8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$5,860 for support of the Rural District Health Council (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing). Vote in affirmative.

9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,000 for maintenance and supplies for the rescue vehicle. Vote in affirmative.

10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,000 for training purposes for members of SMERT. Vote in affirmative.

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$500 to purchase and install an electric garage door opener to be installed on the Bow Lake Fire Station where the rescue vehicle is garaged. Donald Davis made a motion that the Article be withdrawn. Vote on motion to withdraw the Article in affirmative.

12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300 for support of the Conservation Commission. Vote in the affirmative.

13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$7,070 for the operation and maintenance of the Strafford Library (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing). Vote in the affirmative.

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,100 to help defray the cost for a water quality testing program for Bow Lake being conducted for the Bow Lake Camp Owners Association by the University of New Hampshire. Total cost of the project is \$2,200. By Petition. Don Black made a motion to amend the Article by adding the sentence "The results to be printed in the next Town Report". Motion seconded. Vote in the affirmative. Vote on Article as amended in the affirmative.

15. To see if the Town will vote to accept Parshley Lane as a town road. Parshley Lane meets all the requirements for a town road. After discussion, Mr. Lamber made a motion to amend the Article to read: "To see if the Town will vote to accept Parshely Lane as a town road. Parshley Lane meets all requirements for a town road. This acceptance to become effective upon completion of the second house." The motion to amend was seconded and vote on motion to amend was affirmative. Vote on Article as amended in the affirmative.

16. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public road the following:

- a. Barberry Lane in Whig Hill Estates, approximately 1100 ft. in length.
- b. Beaver Brook Drive in Whig Hill Estates, approximately 900 ft. in length.
- c. Ledgewood Drive in Whig Hill Estates, approximately 600 ft. in length.
- d. Sunny Oakes in Whig Hill Estates, approximately 500 ft. to Lot S-3.

All of the above roads are built to Town Road Standards and completed. Vote in the affirmative.

17. To see if the Town will vote to accept approximately 1060 feet of Garland Road starting just beyond the old Trudenbach home and ending at the Strafford-Northwood town line. By Petition. Negative by count vote. 50 ayes and 67 nays.

18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum to \$13,583 to operate and maintain the Strafford Fire Department. (\$1,000 from Revenue Sharing). Vote in the affirmative.

19. To see if the Town will authorize the sum not to exceed \$100,000 for the purchase of a new combination pumper/tanker in 1984, purchase the equipment for the truck and to repair the existing apparatus. \$35,000 to be raised and appropriated in 1984 and the balance to be borrowed from one of the Rochester banks to be repaid in two equal annual payments. At this point the Moderator announced that he had received a petition for this

vote to be by secret ballot. Alfred Sawicki took the floor and gave a lengthy discussion on the subject. After heated discussion, Richard Saunders motion to move the question was seconded and the vote taken was negative. Discussion resumed and shortly another motion to move the debate was accepted and seconded. Vote was in affirmative. Vote on the article as read by secret ballot, was in the affirmative by the required 2/3 vote of voters present. 112 ayes and 48 nays.

20. This Article omitted according to Warrant direction.

21. To see if the Town will vote to restrict the use of the beach at Bow Lake to Town residents or others, by permit only as determined by the Recreation Commission and further empower the Recreation Commission to devise measures to enforce this restriction and further will the Town vote to appropriate \$2,000 for a fence and \$1,000 for personnel to implement this Article. A motion was made by Bill Lord and seconded to amend the Article to read: "To see if the Town will vote to restrict the use of the beach at Bow Lake to Town residents, property owners and guests or others by permit only as determined by the Recreation Commission and further empower the Recreation Commission to devise measures to enforce this restriction and further will the Town vote to appropriate \$2,000 for a fence and \$1,000 for personnel to implement this Article". Motion made and seconded to terminate debate on motion to amend. Vote in the affirmative. On motion to amend Article in affirmative. Motion to terminate debate on motion as amended made and seconded. Vote in affirmative. Vote on motion as amended by secret ballot in affirmative. 97 yes, 27 no.

22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,650 for the support of the Recreation Commission. Vote in affirmative.

23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$15,000 for Public Welfare. Vote in affirmative.

24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$30,000 to operate and maintain the Town solid waste disposal center. Discussion ensued. Motion was made and seconded to move the question with vote in affirmative. Vote on Article as read in affirmative.

25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300 as a donation to the Bow Lake Community Club to help defray the cost of the Fourth of July fireworks display. Vote in affirmative.

26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300 for the observance of Memorial Day. Vote in affirmative.

27. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$500 for the support of the Strafford County Community Action Program. Vote in affirmative.

28. To see if the Town of Strafford will consider a noise ordinance, specifically, no construction work before 7 a.m. By petition. After lengthy discussion, Judy Herget's motion to amend the Article to read: "To see if the

Town of Strafford will pass a noise ordinance from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.'" was seconded and a vote taken. Results were negative. Vote on Article as read also negative.

29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend money from the State, Federal, or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the year in accordance with procedures set forth in RSA 21:95B. Vote in affirmative.

30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize prepayment of resident taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments as provided by RSA 80:1a. Vote in affirmative.

31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey property or tax liens acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's Deed, by public auction, or advertised sealed bid or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen or as justice may require. Vote in affirmative.

32. To see if the Town will grant a 2% discount on taxes paid within ten days of the mailing of the tax bill. Vote in affirmative.

33. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Vote in affirmative.

At this point we returned to Article 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for same. Albert Leighton, Selectman, made the motion that the Town raise \$63,150 to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. Vote in affirmative.

34. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. At this point the Moderator brought an announcement to the attention of the body for Mr. Raymond Richardson, who could not attend this meeting because of inclement weather. He stated that Mr. Richardson has worked diligently for years in an effort to achieve a State law which would exempt any persons over eighty years of age from real estate taxes. His research shows that if his plan were adopted in the Town of Strafford, it would only increase the tax rate by 11 cents. He has been advised that his plan cannot legally be addressed by this meeting, but he wants to keep each of you advised on this issue which he addressed and which is duly recorded in the minutes of the 1983 Town Meeting Minutes.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and the vote was in the affirmative.

A True Record Attest:
Billye M. Waldron
Town Clerk, Town of Strafford

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT & YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1984

DR:

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$973,619.00	
Resident Taxes	12,320.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	4,300.00	
Yield Taxes	15,830.28	
Total		\$1,006,069.28

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	523.16	
Resident Taxes	1,590.00	2,113.16

Overpayments:

Property Taxes	84.00	
Yield Taxes00	84.00

Interest collected on Delinquent:

Property Taxes	37.95	
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Costs	10.00	
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	70.00	
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Total Debits		\$1,008,384.39
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CR:

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$797,335.05	
Resident Taxes	11,240.00	
Yield Taxes	13,242.43	
Land Use Change Taxes	2,350.00	
Total		\$824,167.48

Interest Collected During Year	37.95	
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Penalties on Resident Taxes	70.00	107.95
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Discounts Allowed	13,097.14	13,097.14
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Costs	10.00	10.00
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Abatements made During Year:

Property	762.19	
Yield Taxes	48.00	810.19

Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year

Property Taxes (as per Collector's list)	163,031.78	
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Uncollected Taxes cont.		
Resident Taxes	\$ 2,670.00	
Yield Taxes	2,539.85	
Land Use Change Taxes	<u>1,950.00</u>	\$ 170,191.63
Total Credits		<u>\$1,008,384.39</u>

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD**

**LEVY OF 1983
DR.**

Uncollected Taxes - as of January 1, 1984:		
Property Taxes	\$131,603.89	
Resident Taxes	1,160.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>1,219.63</u>	\$ 133,983.52
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes00	
Resident Taxes	360.00	360.00
Overpayments:		
Yield Taxes		138.75
Costs		1,351.65
Interest Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes	5,959.79	
Yield Taxes	<u>13.78</u>	5,973.57
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		<u>118.00</u>
Total Debits		<u>\$ 141,925.49</u>

CR:

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	91,885.42	
Resident Taxes	1,160.00	
Yield Taxes	663.67	
Sale of Taxes to Town	42,343.93	
Interest Collected During Year	3,665.38	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	118.00	
Costs Collected	<u>365.20</u>	140,201.60
Discounts Allowed		18.58
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	572.20	
Resident Taxes	340.00	

Abatements Made During Year cont.:		
Yield Taxes	\$ 549.45	\$ 1,461.65
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	78.40	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Yield Taxes	145.26	
Land Use Change Taxes00	
		243.66
Total Credits		\$ 141,925.49

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PRIOR TO 1983**

DR:

Uncollected Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes	122.43	
Resident Taxes	50.00	
Yield Taxes	59.29	231.72
Costs Collected		7.80
Interest Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes		4.67
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		5.00
Total Debits		\$ 249.19

CR:

Remittances to Treasurer During Year:		
Property Taxes00	
Resident Taxes	50.00	
Interest Collected during year	4.67	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	5.00	
Costs collected during year	7.80	67.47
Uncollected Taxes - End of Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes	122.43	
Resident Taxes00	
Yield Taxes	59.29	181.72
Total Credits		\$ 249.19

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1984

	DR:		
	Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:		
	1983	1982	Previous Yrs
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes:			
January 1, 1984	.00	\$27,447.77	\$20,418.17
Taxes Sold to Town During			
Current Fiscal Year	\$42,343.93	.00	.00
Interest Collected After Sale	307.89	2,391.87	7,158.72
Redemption Costs	220.45	243.00	167.70
Total Debits	\$42,872.27	\$30,082.64	\$27,744.59

	OR:		
Remittances to Treasurer During Year:			
Redemptions	\$11,783.67	\$13,462.59	\$20,418.17
Interests & Costs After Sale	528.34	2,634.87	7,326.42
Abatements During Year	376.74	343.86	.00
Deeded to Town During			
Year	.00	.00	.00
Unredeemed Taxes - End			
of Fiscal Year	30,183.52	13,641.32	.00
Unremitted Cash	.00	.00	.00
Total Credits	\$42,872.27	\$30,082.64	\$27,744.59

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION TAX YEAR 1984

1984 VALUATION

Land: Value under Current Use	\$ 1,186,047	
Improved and Unimproved	\$21,017,732	\$22,203,779
Buildings		29,957,188
Public Water Utility		500
Public Utilities Electric		1,320,400
Manufactured Housing Assessed as Real Property (46)		169,510
TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS		
ALLOWED		\$53,651,377

Blind Exemptions (2)	\$ 2,000
Elderly Exemptions (61)	\$599,200
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$ 601,200
NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE IS COMPUTED	\$53,050,177

Number of Inventories distributed in 1984
Date Inventories were mailed
No. of Inventories returned

Number of Individuals Granted an Elderly Exemption in 1984	1 at \$10,000
	59 at \$15,000
	1 at \$20,000

CURRENT USE REPORT

	Prior	Years	1984		Total	
	No. of	No. of	No. of	No of.	No. of	No. of
	Owners	Acres	Owners	Acres	Owners	Acres
Farmland	78	869			78	869
Forestland	324	10,943	10	1,259	334	12,202
Wildland						
Unproductive	23	1,110			23	1,110
Productive	25	1,299			25	1,299
Wetland	63	795	1	75	64	870

Total Number of Individual Property Owners in Current Use	524
Total Number of Acres Taken Out of Current Use During Year	8.9
Total Number of Acres Exempted under Current Use	16,350

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1984 ANNUAL REPORT

The Commission sponsored Strafford Grades 4-6 attendance at the Forestry Field Day held at U.N.H. College Woods in October. Strafford was one of 30 schools participating (approximately 2,000 students in all took part).

Burt Berry was sent for one week to the Annual S.P.N.H.F. Conservation

Camp in Hillsboro in June. Strafford Conservation Commission co-sponsored this trip with the Strafford Women's Club. Commission members have collected all original maps and other documents relating to the Town's Conservation properties and have filed them in one location (Town Office).

We commissioned Barry Nation to compile a documentary photographic record of Strafford Conservation properties for use by the school system and the library. We continue to act as watchdogs in the dredge and fill application process. The Commission worked with an abutter in establishing the North bound and Northwest corner of the Storer Lot. The Commission is currently working with the owners of the James H. Edgerly lot on possible acquisition by the town through donation. This lot abutts both the Town Forest and the Storer Lot and has great potential for both wildlife habitat and for public recreation.

Jo Ann Brown, Chairman

Gail Barry
John Bozak
J. B. Cullen

Robert Evans
Neil Mooers
Marion Conroy

LIBRARY REPORT

Library Hours - Hill Library

Winter	Summer
Nov. 1 - May 1	Tues. 12:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Tues. 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Thurs. 9:00 - 12:00 a.m.
Thurs. 9:00 - 12:00 a.m.	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Sat.12:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Sat. 12:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Also open for elementary classes on Friday
(Subject to change)

Telephone: 664-2800

Books owned by the library January 1, 1984	7,770
Books purchased in 1984	231
Books donated (hardcover 28, paperback 86)	114
Memorial books donated (Strafford Women's Club)	2
Gift Books (new)	11
Books lost or discarded	160
Books owned December 31, 1984	7,968
Magazine Gift Subscriptions	6
(Reader's Digest, DAR magazine, National Geographic, Wee Wisdom, Trowel, Free China Review, Business Digest)	

Magazine Subscriptions Purchased	6
(Consumer Reports, Bon Appetit, Better Homes and Gardens, Metropolitan Home, National Geographic Traveler)	
Used Magazines Donated	155
Includes Antique Digest	
Cassettes Owned	46

CIRCULATION

Books Circulated	7,211
Adult Fiction 2,171, Adult Non-Fiction 845, Children 4,018, Uncataloged 177	
Books Circulated by the Elementary School	1,717
Included in the above total	
Magazines Circulated	304
Cassettes & Filmstrips Circulated	49

BOOK FINES

On hand January 1, 1984	\$ 16.80
Received in fines	159.15
Sale of Books	4.15
Percentage from sale of Bernice Hill's Book	7.25
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	\$187.35
Books Purchased	161.26
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On hand December 31, 1984	\$ 26.09

Ellen E. Stiles, Librarian

LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT 1984

Balance January 1, 1984	\$.00
Receipts:		
Warren Dow Foss Fund		275.58
Appropriation		3,560.00
Other		335.62
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		\$4,171.20
Expenses:		
Books	\$1,707.41	
Telephone	274.21	
Public Service	1,083.64	
Custodian	359.79	
Media	194.83	
Program	88.61	
Supplies	75.22	
Miscellaneous	387.49	
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Expenses Total	\$4,171.20
Balance December 31, 1984	\$.00
Librarian's Salary	\$3,249.00

Katrina V. Rhodes
Treasurer

STRAFFORD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT 1984

Strafford Library Association - Checking Account	
Balance January 1, 1984	\$ 18.42
Transfer from Savings Oct. 16th	84.00
Disbursements Oct. 16th	84.00
Balance January 1, 1985	\$ 18.42

Strafford Library Association - Savings Account	
Balance January 1, 1984	\$ 282.35
Receipts	
Interest	\$ 36.79
Donations	117.15
Sales	123.50
Int. from L.L. CD	166.43
Int. from J.H. CD	323.49
Total Receipts	\$767.36
Disbursements	94.00
Balance January 1, 1985	\$ 955.71

Jane Huckins Memorial Fund - Checking Account	
Balance January 1, 1984	\$ 7.25
Receipts - Int. from CD	150.00
Disbursements	150.00
Balance January 1, 1985	\$ 7.25

Jane Huckins Memorial Fund CD No. 14 10780	
Balance January 1, 1984	\$2,690.13
Interest	183.36
Transfer to checking	150.00
Balance at Maturity	2,723.49
Interest of CD dep. to SLA savings	323.49
Balance to purchase new CD	2,400.00

Jane Huckins Memorial Fund CD No. 9001554125	
Opened November 29, 1984	\$2,400.00
Interest for 1984	22.13
Balance January 1, 1985	<u>\$2,422.13</u>

Strafford Library Association - Permanent Fund Savings Account		
Balance January 1, 1984		\$ 255.63
Receipts - Interest	\$ 26.94	
Donations	235.00	
Memorial Donations	690.00	
Matured CD	<u>1,772.32</u>	
Total Receipts	\$2,724.26	2,724.26
Disbursements		
Insurance	312.80	
Purchase CD	<u>2,200.00</u>	
Total Disbursements	2,512.80	<u>2,512.80</u>
Balance January 1, 1985		\$ 467.09

Strafford Library Association - Permanent fund CD No. 9001403025	
CD purchased October 12, 1984	\$2,200.00
Interest for 1984	44.22
Balance January 1, 1985	<u>\$2,244.22</u>

Strafford Library Association - Lena Leighton Memorial Fund CD No. 9001403026	
CD purchased October 12, 1984	\$ 800.00
Interest for 1984	16.08
Balance January 1, 1985	<u>\$ 816.08</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Janice A. Hill, Treasurer

STRAFFORD LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT 1984

Hill Library is a joint effort by the Town of Strafford and the incorporated Strafford Library Association. The town provides the books, pays the librarian and janitor salaries, and takes care of the insurance on the books.

The S.L.A. is responsible for insurance on the building and furniture and maintenance costs of the building and grounds. The S.L.A. also has

charge of three funds which have developed through the years.

The Jane Huckins Memorial Fund was established from donations given in her memory, and its purpose is to sponsor interesting and/or informative programs for people of all ages.

The Lena Leighton Fund started in the same way as the J.H.F. with the funds donated in her memory designated to purchase books and materials of historical or local significance.

The Permanent Fund was started about six years ago from donations and memorial gifts. This fund has been invested to bring in a regular income as our General Fund depends on donations and fundraisers which don't always cover expenses.

We also remind you that the S.L.A. welcomes any donations, ideas, support, and suggestions to make it a better public facility.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWIN OF STRAFFORD ON DECEMBER 31, 1984
Detailed Reports on File in Selectman's Office

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Per-cent	PRINCIPAL			INCOME		
					Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Balance End Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
2-6-78	Cemetery Trust	Perpetual Care	CD75001970 Acct. 14-640-070-5	84.7	5,565.00	50.00	5,615.00	585.42	398.46	2,640.25
	Lavina Young	Education	Same as above	15.3	1,000.00		1,000.00	105.75		755.00
7-7-78	Cemetery Trust	Perpetual Care	CD 24-410552 Acct. 14-640-070-5	84.7				**407.72	278.48	4,778.81
	Lavina Young	Education	Same as above	15.3				*1,004.82	**73.65	1,078.47
10-28-77	Warren Dow	Library	CD 10-510840	100	3,000.00		3,000.00	330.29	228.12	102.17
4-10-80	Theodore Storer	Conservation Forestry	CD 05270013 Acct. 121247	100	11,500.00		11,500.00	1,331.51		3,916.26
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS										
12-31-81	Recycling Fund	Recycling Center	CD 28401980 Sav. Acct. 124569	100	47,176.65		47,176.65	5,182.64		12,823.47
2-8-84	School	Improvement	CD 509814	100		5,000.00	5,000.00	217.96		217.96
	TOTALS				68,241.65	5,050.00	73,291.65	8,234.94	905.06	26,312.39

*Includes Invested income of \$3,800.00
**Includes Interest on Checking Account.

POLICE REPORT

The Police Department received 1,839 calls of all types this year. Out of this, 496 complaints of different types were recorded.

Burglary	14
Accident	32
Theft	9
Harassment	19
Assisting Other Departments	52
Drowning	2
Suicide	2
Vandalism	10
Domestic	32
Dog	65
Miscellaneous	268
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Carl S. Brown
Chief of Police

STRAFFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 1984

Medical	32
Auto	10
Structure	4
Chimney	11
Grass/Woods	6
Dump	1
Wires Down	3
Gas explosion	1
Water Rescue	3
Bomb Scares	3
False Alarms	2
Investigations	1
Mutual Aid	5
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	82
CALLS:	
Bow Lake	37
Crown Point	15
Center	25
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	77

On behalf of the Strafford Fire Department I would like to extend our thanks to the Town of Strafford on the purchase of the new fire truck. It has arrived, is now in service and being housed in the Center Station. Anyone is welcome to come and look the truck over on any Monday night when the Department members meet. The Fire Department and Rescue Squad will be planning another open house this summer. Notices will follow.

Looking back on 1984 the Department experienced four major structure fires within the town. Through the efforts of our Department and our mutual aid towns the fires were fought extremely well. Fortunately no lives were lost although property damage was high.

During one of these fires one of our older pumpers suffered major mechanical problems requiring the installation of a new tank, plumbing and repacking of the pump. This work has been completed and the truck is now back in service.

The Fire Department and Rescue Squad through generous donations and with the help of the Fire and Rescue Auxiliary, were able to purchase specialized equipment that we felt necessary to perform certain functions without asking for the towns assistance. We thank these people and a special thanks to the women within the Auxiliary who have helped in so many ways.

Over the past few years the Department and the Rescue Squad has become aware of the need of a boat for Bow Lake in case of fire, medical or rescue calls. In the past two months we were able to purchase an eighteen foot Star Craft Marine with a forty horse motor. We hope through fund raisers and donations to equip this boat with the necessary fire and medical/rescue equipment.

A reminder to all those who rent; rooms, homes, camps or apartments and to the landlords. Smoke detectors are required by law in the State of New Hampshire.

Also permits are required to purchase and operate unvented space heaters. (kerosene).

Any questions or permits can be acquired by stopping at the Center Fire Station on any Monday night after 7 p.m.

Respectfully,
David C. Fistere, Chief

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION

The major work of the Recreation Commission in 1984 had to do with the new restrictions at the Bow Lake Beach. The townspeople voted for these restrictions at the 1984 Town Meeting by passing Warrant Item 21

calling for the raising of a fence at the beach. At a public meeting in May at the Strafford Elementary School it was determined by townspeople attending that beach passes would be issued without charge to Strafford taxpayers and/or residents. Non-residents could obtain a family pass for \$25.00 for the season or an individual season pass for \$12.50.

It was anticipated that the fence would be in place by the beginning of the season but in fact it was mid July by the time the system was fully in effect. The Recreation Commission received mostly positive comments about the improvements at the beach from townspeople as well as non-residents.

Jill Burgoine of Rochester was the Water Safety Instructor and swim lessons were well attended in both sessions. The Recreation Commission returned \$.00 to the town in swim lesson fees and non-resident pass receipts.

After many years of dedicated service, both Denny Thorne and Jack Penney retired from the Commission. The Selectmen appointed Bruce Patrick and Kay Gruwell to the Commission.

Member Names:

Richard Omand, President	Harmony Anderson, Secretary
Ron Hernon	Bruce Patrick
	Kay Gruwell

PLANNING BOARD REPORT 1984

The Planning Board has held twelve (12) regular monthly meetings to consider applications for subdivision. Of the one (1) pending application already under consideration and seventeen (17) new applications received; twelve (12) were approved, two (2) were denied, one (1) was withdrawn by the applicant, one (1) was not accepted for consideration and two (2) were pending as of December 31, 1984. We, also, received and approved one (1) application for a boundary adjustment and two (2) non-residential site plans.

In addition to the regular monthly meetings, a work session and a Public Hearing were held to prepare and present proposed amendments to the Subdivision Regulations and Zoning and Land Use Ordinances of the Town.

Budget - 1984	\$2,000.00
Receipts - 1984	
Application Fees	696.00

Expenditures - 1984	
Secretarial	\$ 587.25
Postage	377.76
Supplies	97.50
Printing (Proposed Amendments)	12.70
Notice of Public Hearing	104.65
Pamphlet (Town Zoning Ordinances and Regulations)	627.00
	<u>\$1,806.86</u>
Proposed Budget - 1985	
	\$1,200.00

BOW LAKE WATER MONITORING PROGRAM

This report presents the findings of the 1984 summer study of Bow Lake. The study was conducted jointly by the Freshwater Biology Group (FGB), University of New Hampshire, and the Bow Lake Association, as part of the Lake Lay Monitoring Program (LLMP). The LLMP is a long term water quality monitoring program that relies heavily on the efforts of lay persons. In Durham, the LLMP is conducted by Dr. Alan L. Baker (Associate Prof. of Botany) and Dr. James F. Haney (Associate Prof. of Zoology), who directs a team of trained graduate and undergraduate students. Space and research facilities were provided by the Departments of Botany and Zoology at the University of New Hampshire. Secretarial services were provided by the Department of Zoology.

The LLMP is a cooperative effort between the FBG and cooperating lake associations, conservation commissions, and municipalities. Funding for the program is derived solely by contributions from the participating groups. During 1984, the participating groups included: Walker Pond Protection Association, Town of Hollis, Town of Hudson, Town of Merrimack, Town of Amherst, Lake Chocorua Association, Lake Winnepesaukee Association, United Associations of Alton, Long Island Landowner's Association, Squam Lake Association, Merrymeeting Lake Association, Silver Lake Association (Madison), Bow Lake Association, Kanasatka Lake Association, Canaan Street Lake Association, Sunset Lake Association, and Wentworth Lake Association.

The LLMP has two major goals: first, to carry out scientific investigations on participating lakes in order to provide a data-base on lake biology, physics, and chemistry; and second, to educate people about lakes and their management. A broad data-base on lakes is necessary for their proper management, but is often lacking. Through the efforts of lay monitors and FBG members, such a data-base can be provided. This

commitment is long term due to the long period of time it may require a lake to exhibit signs of disturbance. Continued monitoring from year to year is essential for the early detection of changes in lake conditions.

Education is also an important goal of the LLMP. Through education, people's awareness of lakes and human activities that may influence lakes is heightened.

BRIEF NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

1. Bow Lake is oligotrophic (high water quality) based on high water clarity (Secchi disk depth), low concentrations of algae (chlorophyll a) and low total phosphorus concentration.

2. pH values below 6.0 were found throughout the water column in June, and below 8.0 meters in August. Values below 5.5-6.0 may be harmful to the growth and distribution of fish. Alkalinity values (buffering capacity) were very low, an indication that Bow Lake has a low ability to resist the effects of acid rain.

3. The data collected by the lay monitors and the Freshwater Biology Group represents a good beginning of a long term data base for Bow Lake. With such a data base, comparisons can be made from year to year and changes in lakewater quality can be detected early.

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOW LAKE 1984

1. Data collection by lay monitors should be increased next year. Variations in trophic indicators (Secchi disk depth, chlorophyll a and total phosphorus) occur throughout the summer period. In order to monitor these variations properly, data should be collected throughout the entire summer (June-August). Without a full season of data, interpretations about lakewater quality are difficult to make.

2. A program of lay monitor alkalinity (buffering capacity) and pH testing should be initiated to assess the effects of acid precipitation on the lake. It is important to establish a data base for alkalinity and pH in order to detect changes in these parameters as early as possible. This could be accomplished by training at least one lay monitor on the use of the pH meter and the chemical test for alkalinity. A workshop on "Testing for the Effects of Acid Precipitation" will be offered by the Freshwater Biology Group at the University of New Hampshire in late May or early June.

3. One phosphorus sample collected by the FBG was moderately high. Samples should be collected by lay monitors next year. Sampling should be done in the spring and after storm events, when inputs of phosphorus are likely to be greatest.

4. To provide data on changes in water color throughout the season,

we suggest lay monitors collect samples for dissolved water color. Water color decreases the water transparency, and thus effects the Secchi disk depth. A more accurate assessment of water quality based on Secchi disk depth can be made by knowing both the chlorophyll a concentration and the amount of dissolved water color. Water color samples consist of the filtrate from the chlorophyll a sample, and sampling can be done with essentially no additional cost. Details on the method for collection of dissolved water color samples will be provided on request.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR BOW LAKE 1984

1. Bow Lake is oligotrophic based on Secchi disk depth (lay data avg. 6.1 meters) and chlorophyll a concentration (lay data avg. 1.4 milligrams per cubic meter), and total phosphorus concentration (avg. 8.3 micrograms per liter). Note, however, that the highest total phosphorus concentration found (14.0 micrograms per liter) approaches the mesotrophic range. The density of phytoplankton was low to moderate (1640-3162 cells per liter), an indication of oligotrophic conditions. The Chrysophyceae (*Ochromonas*, *Chrysochromulina*) were dominant over the entire summer. The density of zooplankton was also low (5-7 animals per liter). The calanoid copepods were dominant in June, and in August *Bosmina*, *Diaphanosoma* and calanoid copepods were co-dominant.

2. Near-surface pH values ranged from 5.4-6.6. pH values below 6.0 were found throughout the entire water column in June and below 8.0 meters in August. Values below 5.5-6.0 may be detrimental to the growth and distribution of fish. The alkalinity was very low (1.8 milligrams calcium carbonate). The low level of alkalinity indicates that Bow Lake has a low ability to resist the effects of acid precipitation.

3. Dissolved oxygen concentrations were above 7.0 ppm throughout the entire water column in June. Hypolimnetic dissolved oxygen concentrations fell below 4.0 ppm August. Values below 4.0 ppm may limit the growth and distribution of cold-water fish, such as lake trout or landlocked salmon.

4. The specific conductivity was low, with an average of 28.5 micromhos per centimeter. These values were among the lowest in the LLMP. Chloride ion concentration was also low with an average of 0.5 parts per million. These values indicated low inputs of road salt and/or raw sewage.

**STRAFFORD
SCHOOL
DISTRICT
REPORTS

1984**

STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. Earl Kalil, Jr. Terms Expires 1985
Mrs. Erma Clark Term Expires 1986
Mrs. Peg Jenisch Term Expires 1987

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Barry L. Clough, B.Ed., M.A., M.Ed.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS

Leon R. Worthley, B.A., M.A.
Eugene A. Roddy, B.S., M.S., C.A.G.S.

TREASURER

Sandra Pierce

MODERATOR

David Meserve

CLERK

Christina Brown

AUDITOR

Bertha Huckins
Dorothy Bickford

SCHOOL CENSUS

Robert Omand

SCHOOL NURSE

Nancy Reynolds, R.N.

TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Strafford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Strafford Elementary School in said district on the 5th day of March 1985, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

2. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate in addition to the original 1984-85 appropriation, a sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) to be made available to the School District prior to July 1, 1985 in order to meet unanticipated obligations caused by mandated pupil transportation and high school tuition expenditure.

3. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven thousand, eight hundred ninety-two dollars (\$11,892) for the purpose of replacing ceiling tiles and installing insulation in 3 classrooms, nurse's office, resource room, 2 original bathrooms and the main hallway.

4. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) to extend the original septic system for greater capacity.

5. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand, three hundred sixty dollars (\$8,360) for the purpose of insulating hot water pipes. The School Board is directed to apply for, accept and expend offsetting revenue in the amount of four thousand, one hundred eighty dollars (\$4,180) for this project in Cycle VII Federal Energy Funds made available through the Governor's Energy Office. Failure to receive approval of the four thousand, one hundred eighty dollars (\$4,180) in Federal energy Funds referred to above, will render the article null and void.

6. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand, five hundred dollars (\$3,500) for the purpose of installing night setback controls on the heating system. The School Board is directed to apply for, accept and expend offsetting revenue in the amount of one thousand, seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750) for this project in Cycle VII Federal Energy Funds made available through the Governor's Energy Office. Failure to receive approval for the one thousand, seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750) in Federal Energy Funds referred to above, will render the article null and void.

7. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the

sum of four thousand, seven hundred thirteen dollars (\$4,713) for the purpose of installing ceiling insulation in 6 classrooms and hallway. The School Board is directed to apply for, accept and expend offsetting revenue in the amount of two thousand, three hundred fifty-six dollars (\$2,356) for this project in Cycle VII Federal Energy Funds made available through the Governor's Energy Office. Failure to receive approval for the two thousand, three hundred fifty-six dollars (\$2,356) in Federal Energy Funds referred to above, will render the article null and void.

8. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited in a Capital Reserve Fund established by vote of the 1983 School District Meeting in accordance with the provisions of RSA:35, as amended, to be used for future capital improvements to the school.

9. To see what sum of money the School District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the School District.

10. To see if the School District will authorize the School Board to make application for and to receive and expend, in the name of the District, such advance, grants-in-aid, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government and/or State agencies and/or other sources in accordance with the provisions of RSA 198:20-b.

11. To choose agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

12. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Strafford this 11th day of February 1985.

Earl Kalil, Jr.

Erma Clark

Margaret Jenisch

School Board

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Earl Kalil, Jr.

Erma Calrk

Margaret Jenisch

School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Cash on Hand July 1, 1983		\$ 19,052.22
Current Appropriation	\$648,632.00	
Revenue from State Sources	44,891.89	
Revenue from Federal Sources	2,666.73	
Received from all Other Sources	19,383.05	
Total Receipts		<u>715,573.67</u>
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		734,625.89
Less School Board Orders Paid		<u>-714,165.28</u>
Balance on Hand June 30, 1984		\$ 20,460.61

July 17, 1984

Sandra L. Pierce, District Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

July 1, 1983 thru June 30, 1984

State of N.H. - Catostrophic Aid	\$ 151.02
State of N.H. - Sweepstakes - 1983	6,247.11
State of N.H. - Basic Aid Special Ed.	12,162.39
State of N.H. - Vocational Transp. 81-82	802.80
State of N.H. - Vocational Transp. 83-84	20,553.54
State of N.H. - Building Aid 83-84	4,606.39
State of N.H. - Building Aid Special 1982-83	368.64
State of N.H. - Federal Block Grant	2,666.73
N.H. Association - Grant Physical fitness and the Cardiovascular System	200.00
Town of Strafford - Appropriation	648,632.00
School Administrative Unit No. 44 - refund Block Grant	1,150.76
School Administrative Unit No. 44 - Special Ed. Transp.	3.85
Strafford Women Club - Community Project	100.00
BankEast - Interest 1983-84	2,984.64
Strafford School Lunch Prog. - Wages 1982-83	1,821.70
Strafford School Lunch Prog. - Wages 1983-84	9,600.00
"Tuition refunds of CoeBrown Academy"	2,429.00
"donation"	891.00
"Reimbursement for Paper"	4.50
"Refund Telephone Calls"	29.29
"Refund on Supplies"	14.50

"Refund for Custodial Supplies"	\$ 3.35
Chris Brown - Filing Fees	5.00
"Rent Income"	20.00
"Returned Void Check 1982-83"	125.46
Total Receipts During Year	<u>\$715,573.67</u>

**FINANCIAL REPORT
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fiscal Year July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984**

REVENUE

Local Sources:

Current Appropriation	\$648,632.00
Interest on Temporary Deposits	2,984.64
Rental Income	20.00
Filing Fees	5.00
Misc. Local Income	129.31

State Sources:

Sweepstakes	6,247.11
School Building Aid	4,975.03
Handicapped Aid	12,313.39
Vocational Transportation 83-84	
School Year	18,060.00
Vocational Transportation 81-82	
School Year	802.80

TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$694,169.28</u>
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Additions/Deletions:

Block Grant Receipts	2,500.00
Heart Grant Receipts	200.00
Refunds of Current Year Expenses ..	13,071.64
Accts. Receivable, June 30, 1983 ..	15,867.75
Accts. Receivable, June 30, 1984 ..	-10,235.00
Cash on Hand, July 1, 1983	<u>19,052.22</u>

TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR 1983-84

(agrees with Treasurer's Report)	\$734,625.89
Less Gross Expenditures	<u>714,165.28</u>
Cash on Hand, June 30, 1984	\$ 20,460.61

FUND SURPLUS

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1984	\$ 20,460.61	
Accounts Receivable, June 30, 1984:		
State of N.H., Vocational		
Transportation	\$10,084.00	
State of N.H., Handicapped		
Aid	<u>151.00</u>	
Total Accounts Receivable,		
June 30, 1984	<u>10,235.00</u>	
Fund Balance		\$ 30,695.61
Accounts Payable, June 30, 1984:		
Dover School District,		
tuition	\$27,899.00	
Payroll Deductions Due	<u>2,692.77</u>	
Total Encumbered Funds	30,591.77	
Total Unencumbered Funds	<u>103.84</u>	
Fund Balance		\$ 30,695.61

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
DETAILED EXPENDITURES FOR 1983-84**

1100 REGULAR INSTRUCTION

1102 Teachers' Salaries:		
Priscilla Bowlen	\$ 14,503.00	
Frank Finley	15,894.00	
Marguerite Finley	15,470.00	
Virginia Garlow	3,109.00	
Darla Higgins	14,875.00	
Nancy Lake	15,046.00	
Sally Low	16,394.00	
Elizabeth Mason	12,135.00	
John Ouellette	2,348.00	
Maryellen Plante	14,896.00	
Katrina Rhodes	14,875.00	
Patricia Sukduang	15,046.00	
Pamela Vallee	<u>2,014.00</u>	
Total Teachers' Salaries		\$156,605.00
1104 Teacher Aide Salaries:		
Nancy Bickford	4,851.00	

	Anne Tabory	\$ 3,628.80	
	Total Teacher Aide Salaries		\$ 8,479.80
1202	Substitutes:		
	Patricia Boyle	12.50	
	Davis Clarke	50.00	
	Mary Conroy	25.00	
	Cynthia Dame	1,114.00	
	Diane Emro	25.00	
	Bernice Omand	20.85	
	John Ouellette	50.00	
	Carol Savitts	387.50	
	Sandra Schwab	50.00	
	Jennifer Shone	90.00	
	Total Substitutes		1,824.85
2110	Health Insurance	3,479.36	
2220	Teachers' Retirement	1,327.09	
2240	Retired Teachers' Retirement	1,002.37	
2300	F.I.C.A. (Social Security)	11,565.84	
	Total Regular Instruction Benefits		17,374.66
4400	Repairs to Instructional Equipment		202.00
5610	Tuition to Other Public Schools	141,321.79	
5620	Tuition to Academy	41,260.69	
	Total Regular Tuition		182,582.48
6100	Instructional Supplies		7,287.05
6300	Textbooks		2,266.24
	Total Regular Instructional Expenditures		\$376,622.08
1200	SPECIAL EDUCATION		
1102	Teacher's Salary, Carol McIntyre Peale		14,558.00
2110	Health Insurance	400.00	
2220	Teachers Retirement	120.30	

2300	F.I.C.A. (Social Security) . . .	\$ 1,003.92	
	Total Special Education		
	Benefits	\$ 1,524.22	
5600	Tuition to Other Schools . . .	54,971.43	
6100	Supplies for Special Educa- tion Instruction	390.20	
	Total Special Education		
	Expenditures	71,443.85	
1300	VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS		
5610	Tuition to other Public Schools	58,143.18	
1400	OTHER PROGRAMS		
1102	Athletic Salaries:		
	Richard Boyle	315.00	
	Frank Finley	585.00	
	Maryellen Plante	360.00	
	Total Athletic Salaries	1,260.00	
6100	Athletic Supplies	201.27	
	Total Other Programs		
	Expenditures	1,461.27	
2000	SUPPORT SERVICES		
2100	PUPIL SERVICE		
2110	Attendance	300.00	
2120	Testing	843.25	
2130	Health Service:		
	1103 Nurse Salary, Nancy Reynolds	6,269.00	
	6100 Health Supplies	210.57	
	Total Health Service	6,479.57	
2140	Diagnostic Service, Straf- ford Learning Center	963.00	
2150	Speech Service:		
	4400 Contracted Service . .	2,748.47	
	6100 Speech Supply	31.67	
	Total Speech Service	2,780.14	

2200	STAFF SERVICE		
2210	Improvement of Staff, tuition & workshop expense	\$	1,175.40
2220	Educational Media:		
3900	Educational Television	\$	212.00
6100	Library Supplies . . .		14.80
6300	Library Books		266.58
	Total Educational Media . . .		493.38
2300	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
1101	School Board Salaries:		
	Christine Bozak	250.00	
	Erma Clarke	250.00	
	Total School Board Salaries		500.00
1105	School District Salaries:		
	Treasurer, Sandra Pierce . .	500.00	
	Auditor, Cindy Cushing . . .	30.00	
	Auditor, Bertha Huckins . . .	30.00	
	Secretary, Elizabeth Carlson	225.00	
	Total School District Salaries		785.00
5230	Insurance		43.50
8900	Other Expenses		581.39
3510	School Administrative Unit No. 44		25,422.93
2400	SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION		
2410	Office of the Principal:		
1101	Principal's Salary, Richard Boyle		21,420.00
4400	Repairs to Equipment		110.00
5310	Telephone		773.25
5320	Postage		133.82
6100	Office Supplies		49.23
8900	Other Expenses (Graduation, Dues) .		270.00
2520	BUSINESS		
1104	School District Bookkeeper, Elizabeth Carlson		840.00

5300 postage and Telephone Expense	\$	108.12
6100 Supplies		20.10
2540 OPERATION OF PLANT		
1109 Custodial Salaries:		
Custodian, Elliott Stevens . .	\$	10,896.00
Helper, Lawrence Brown . .		16.25
Helper, John Finley		17.88
Helper, Stephen Higgins . .		43.88
Helper, Stephen Kalaway . .		401.00
Helper, Daniel Manseau . .		41.94
Total Custodial Salaries . .		11,416.95
5230 Insurance		2,736.45
5800 Travel -Custodial		121.49
6100 Custodial Supplies/Main-tenance Supplies		2,221.13
6520 Electricity		3,559.33
6530 Fuel Oil		8,429.97
6570 Propane Gas		64.80
2540 OPERATION OF PLANT		
4400 Contracted Services:		
Battery Powered Lighting; contract and emergency light repairs		128.00
Eastern Propane Gas Inc.; oven repair		130.50
Ellis Brothers; septic tank pumping		100.00
Forest & Sons Pumps; water pump repair		25.00
Honeywell, Inc.; heat repair		86.00
James Herald; stage steps/ sign repair		5.00
Marc Doyon; plumbing repairs		269.40
Northern Heating & Plumbing Co.; heat repairs and service		2,108.53

Raynold Bedard; electrical and lock repairs	\$ 308.94	
Roto-Rooter, plumbing repair	431.00	
Scribner Sand & Gravel; septic tank repair	775.52	
Strafford Machine & Weld- ing; window repair	20.00	
Tri-City Glass; window repair	15.00	
V.H. Cogswell, Inc.; mower service/repair	<u>26.20</u>	
Total Contracted Service Expenditures		\$ 4,429.09
8900 Other Expense for Opera- tion of the Plant		62.00
2550 TRANSPORTATION		
5130 Regular Program (Elementary)		32,338.20
5130 Special Education Program		11,522.30
2900 BENEFITS		
2110 Health Insurance	1,425.00	
2142 Workmen's Compensation Insurance	747.49	
2220 Employee's Retirement . . .	207.20	
2300 F.I.C.A. (Social Security) . .	<u>2,915.78</u>	
Total Support Service Benefits . . .		5,295.47
5000 OTHER OUTLAYS		
5100 DEBT SERVICE:		
8300 Principal of Debt	17,166.76	
8400 Interest on Debt	<u>1,155.71</u>	
Total Debt Service		<u>18,322.47</u>
Total General Fund Expenditures		\$672,282.11
Total Block Grant Fund Expenditures		2,500.00
Total Vocational Transportation Expenditures (reimbursed by State)		18,060.00
Transferred to Capital Reserve Fund		5,000.00

Transferred to Food Service Fund	\$ 1,665.42
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURES	\$699,507.53
Reimbursed Expenditures	13,071.64
Accounts Payable, June 1983	32,177.88
Accounts Payable, June 1984	-27,899.00
Payroll Deductions Due, June 1984	-2,692.77
Total Gross Expenditures (Agrees with Treasurer's Report)	\$714,165.28

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM
For The Fiscal Year July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Cash on Hand July 1, 1983	\$ 38.12
Petty Cash on Hand July 1, 1983	25.00
Revenue From Federal Sources	\$ 7,372.00
Received from all Other Sources	14,927.67
Total Receipts	22,299.67
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year ..	22,362.79
Less School Board Orders Paid	22,281.98
Balance on Hand June 30, 1984	55.81
Petty Cash on Hand June 30, 1984	25.00

July 17, 1984

Sandra L. Pierce, District Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

7-1-83 thru 6-30-84

State of N.H. - School Lunch Program	\$ 7,372.00
Dorothy Smith - Hot Lunch Money	14,927.67
Total Receipts During Year	\$22,299.67

STRAFFORD SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984

Beginning Balance - July 1, 1983	\$ 63.12
Receipts:	
Lunch Sales - Children	\$11,809.39
Lunch Sales - Adults	849.40
Reimbursement	7,372.00
Misc. Cash	2,268.88

TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$22,299.67</u>
TOTAL AVAILABLE	<u>\$22,362.79</u>

EXPENDITURES

Food	\$ 9,560.03	
Labor	11,421.70	
Repayment of Loan	<u>1,300.25</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>\$22,281.98</u>
Balance - June 30, 1984		<u><u>\$ 3,096.00</u></u>

Other Program Resources:

Donations: Food \$3,096.	\$ 3,096.00
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BALANCE SHEET Fiscal Year ended June 30, 1984

Assets

Petty Cash	\$ 25.00
Cash in Bank	55.81
Accounts Receivable:	
Reimbursement due Program	774.00
Other Income due Program	548.00
Food inventory - June 30	866.00
Supplies inventory - June 30	<u>195.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,463.81

Liabilities

Loans Payable	1,750.92
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,750.92

BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1984

	General	Food Service	Capital Reserve
ASSETS			
Cash	20,460.61	80.81	
Investments			5,000.00
Interfund Receivables	1,750.92		
Intergovernmental Receivables	10,235.00	726.00	
Inventories	<u> </u>	<u>2,534.00</u>	<u> </u>
Total Current Assets	32,446.53	3,340.81	5,000.00

Liabilities and Fund Equity			
Interfund Payables		1,750.92	
Other Payables	29,649.00		
Payroll Deductions and Withholdings	<u>2,692.77</u>		
Total Liabilities	32,341.77	1,750.92	
Unreserved Retained Earnings		1,589.89	5,000.00
Unreserved Fund Balance	104.76		
Total Fund Equity		1,589.89	5,000.00
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	32,446.53	3,340.81	5,000.00

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

In keeping with the concept that having a "healthy" life is having a "happy" life, Strafford School continues to strive to provide the best Health Education Program available. In order to achieve this, we are continually re-evaluating and updating our program with new ideas, teaching aids, and data obtained from varied health sources.

We initiated a new program entitled "Have a Healthy Heart" in the 7th grade which combines knowledge of the physical workings of the heart and how it is affected by life style and physical fitness. We purchased a sphygmanometer (blood pressure machine), stethoscope, and a working model of the heart with a grant from the American Heart Association.

In the 4th grade, the emphasis was placed on mental and emotional health. The major teaching tool was a television program entitled "Inside Out". Judging from the excellent discussion this provided, it was a success.

In ending another busy and fulfilling year, I thank the community for their support and I especially thank the rest of the staff of Strafford School for their devotion, caring, and unending support.

Respectfully submitted
Nancy Reynolds, R.N.
School Nurse

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Strafford of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1984 and find them correct in all respects.

September 16, 1984

Bertha L. Huckins, Dorothy Bickford - Auditors

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of the Strafford School District:

When the 1984-85 school year opened last August, the Strafford Elementary School was organized as indicated as follows:

EMPLOYEE	ASSIGNMENT
Richard Boyle	Principal
Priscilla Bowlen	Grade 1
Marguerite Finley	Grade 1
Elizabeth Mason	Grade 2
Maryellen Plante	Grade 3
Nancy Lake	Grade 4
Katrina Rhodes	Grade 5
Sally Low	Grade 6-8 Language & Arts
Darla Higgins	6-8 Social Studies
Frank Finley	6-8 Math
Patricia Sukduang	6-8 Science
Barbara Hoogeveen	Guidance*
Carol McIntyre-Peale	Special Education
Virginia Garlow	Music
John Ouellette	Art
Stephen Lavorgna	Physical Education
Karen Schuster	Chapter 1*
Nancy Reynolds	Nurse
Anne Tabory	Chapter I Aide*
Betty Warner	Teacher Aide
Elliott Stevens	Custodian
Dorothy Smith	Lunch Program Manager
Helen St. Clair, Irma Messenger (PT)	Lunch Workers

*Funded by the Chapter IESEA as part of Joint Project with Barrington, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford.

The enrollment by grade as reported as of October 1, 1984 was as follows:

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Pupil	29	19	21	25	33	26	27	40	220

Strafford School District Residents attending other schools at the District's expense is reported as follows:

SCHOOL	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
Spaulding High School	12	14	21	15	62
Dover Vocational School	1	9	6	6	22
Coe-Brown Academy	5	13	6	3	27
TOTALS	18	36	33	24	111

In addition the following numbers of students are receiving special education services at the District's expense: 2-Spaulding High; 3-Coe-Brown Academy; and Strafford Learning Center Programs: 1-PEP Barrington; 1 OH; 3 TIP; 2 ASE and 1 TAC.

During the past year we have seen continuing discussion concerning the present state and future direction of public education. The deluge of national reports, newspaper articles, discussion programs and major state reform proposals concerning education have occupied a prominent position in the media. During this period of time we have continued a process of refining goals and objectives for the Strafford School District, conducting an ongoing curriculum review focusing on the areas of social studies, math, gifted and talented and computer education, and evaluation of present planning and teaching techniques.

The continued progress of the Summer Institute program for a second year under the supervision of Assistant Superintendent Worthley has been an especially gratifying development. I fully expect the Summer Institute-85 program will involve an in-depth evaluation project conducted in conjunction with the Department of Education, University of New Hampshire at Durham. Mr. Worthley and I strongly believe School Administrative Unit No. 44 may be in the vanguard of a movement in public education to re-introduce thinking skills. As Edward DeBono states in his article entitled, CRITICAL THINKING IS NOT ENOUGH published in the September, 1984 issue of EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP, "More and more schools in Canada, the United Kingdom, Eire, Australia and New Zealand are teaching thinking". School Administrative Unit No. 44 is one of the first School Administrative Units in the State to provide such experiences for its students. It is extremely important we continue our commitment to this program.

As I have stated in previous reports, it is generally agreed effective schools must usually have five factors associated with them; building leadership, instructional leadership, a pleasing school climate, implied expectations of students and an effective monitoring system. We have continued to work closely with the principal and faculty to continue these characteristics and to improve and enhance professional growth activities. We have strongly encouraged principals and teachers to enroll in college courses, attend conferences and join state, regional and national

professional organizations such as the New England Reading Association and the Principals Center at Harvard University.

A review of the Science Research Associates achievement test results convey a continuation of student growth in such areas as math, language arts and reading. In fact, Strafford has consistently been one of the leading districts in the Unit on the basis of Science Research Associates achievement results. Middle and upper grade scores in particular, have demonstrated markedly strong patterns. We will continue to focus on the development of a variety of effective program evaluation procedures.

In keeping with past practice, I believe the needs of the system must be consistently placed before the voters. The strengthening of the library component of the system, consideration of establishing a public kindergarten, programs for the gifted and academically inclined child, and a continuation of studying regional school organization remain areas which should receive strong consideration from the District.

One of the major areas of public discussion is the issue of how we finance our schools. As many of you are aware, the Legislature is in session this year and one of the major pieces of legislation to be debated this session deals with the consolidation and reform of four current State Financial Aid programs for school districts known as the Augenblick Plan. This Plan provides for the consolidation of the current Foundation Aid, Sweepstakes, Direct Special Education and Business Profits Tax support programs. In addition to the consolidation of these four Financial Aid programs, the Augenblick Plan proposes an equitable method of distributing State funds to school districts. However, in order to fully implement the Augenblick Plan, the State must provide an additional 14 million dollars. If the Legislature passes the Augenblick Plan and the necessary 14 million dollar appropriation, the Strafford School District would receive over and above its current State Revenue of \$35,321, the additional sum of \$29,106. I believe the implication for property tax relief is obvious. I strongly encourage all citizens to contact their Legislators and urge the adoption of these measures.

The School Administrative Unit Staff has continued to provide support and assistance in such areas as business management, special education coordination and supervision, negotiations, curriculum improvement and staff development programs.

Once again, we wish to express our appreciation to the members of the school board, principal, teachers, pupils and citizens for the cooperation exhibited during the past year. We look forward to a long and productive relationship in which our mutual goals will continue to be the best possible education for our young people.

Respectfully submitted,
Barry L. Clough, Superintendent

**SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT
AND
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS
1984-85**

(R.S.A. Chapter 189:45 - New Hampshire Laws)

SCHOOL DISTRICT	% LOCAL SHARE	SUPERINTENDENT	ASSISTANT SUPT.	ASSISTANT SUPT.
BARRINGTON	18.83	\$ 7,513.17	\$ 6,025.60	\$ 5,931.45
FARMINGTON	20.63	8,231.37	6,601.60	6,498.45
MIDDLETON	2.09	833.91	668.80	658.35
MILTON	11.15	4,448.85	3,568.00	3,512.25
NORTHWOOD	11.59	4,624.41	3,708.80	3,650.85
NOTTINGHAM	11.09	4,424.91	3,548.80	3,493.35
STRAFFORD	9.49	3,786.51	3,036.80	2,989.35
WAKEFIELD	15.13	6,036.87	4,841.60	4,765.95
TOTAL	100%	\$39,900.00	\$32,000.00	\$31,500.00

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT TENTATIVE CALENDAR
1985-1986**

August through January - 95 days
February through June - 87 days

August 28	School Begins
September 2	Labor Day
*November 11	Veteran's Day
November 28-29	Thanksgiving Recess (28 Thanksgiving Day)
December 23 - January 1	Christmas Vacation
February 24-28	Winter Vacation
April 28 - May 2	Spring Vacation
*May 30	Memorial Day

*By statute (RSA 288:4) these two days are required days out of school.

Other holidays observed by the State are:

October 14	Columbus Day
February 17	Washington's Birthday
April 28	Fast Day

STRAFFORD REVENUE SHEET

	<u>1984-85</u>	<u>1985-86</u>
Unreserved Balance Fund	\$ 105	\$ 0
Sweepstakes	\$ 6,388	\$ 6,388
School Building Aid	\$ 3,726	\$ 3,726
Handicapped Aid	\$12,162	\$12,162
Child Nutrition	\$10,100	\$10,100
Catastrophic Aid	\$ 610	\$ 610
ECIA-Block Grant	\$ 2,600	\$ 2,600
Energy Grant	\$ 0	\$15,569
Earnings on Investments	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Food Service Sales	\$ 8,200	\$ 8,200
	<u>\$46,891</u>	<u>\$62,355</u>

**STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1984**

Project Name	1st Addition	2nd Addition	Total
Bonds/Notes Outstanding July 1, 1983	\$3,566.76	\$27,200.00	\$30,766.76
Add Bonds/Notes issued During Year			
Less Bonds/Notes Retired During Year	<u>-\$3,566.76</u>	<u>-\$13,600.00</u>	<u>-\$17,166.76</u>
Bonds/Notes Outstanding June 30, 1984	-0-	\$13,600.00	\$13,600.00

**TENTATIVE STRAFFORD SCHOOL BUDGET
1-28-85**

	83-84 <u>Expended</u>	84-85 <u>Budgeted</u>	85-86 <u>Proposed</u>
1100 REGULAR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM			
1102 Teachers Salaries	156,605	175,922	169,961
1104 Aides Salaries	8,479	11,495	4,463
1202 Substitutes	1,824	1,500	1,500
1203 Interns			10,000
2210 Insurance (Health)	3,479	5,184	2,500
2220 Teachers Retirement	1,327	1,511	1,395
2240 Retired Teachers Retirement	1,002	490	490
2300 FICA (Social Security)	11,565	13,400	12,471
5610 Tuition to Public Schools	141,322	117,668	140,606
5630 Tuition to Academies	41,260	47,579	82,987
6100 General Supplies	7,287	8,250	10,500
6102 Art Supplies		300	1,000
6108 Physical Education Supplies		300	300
6112 Music Supplies		300	400
6113 Science Supplies (Lab)		50	600
6124 Computer Supplies		1,430	1,500
6300 Textbooks	2,266	3,795	5,000
7400 Repairs to Equipment		300	500
7410 New Equipment	202	0	2,000
7420 Replace Equipment		200	300
Total Regular Educational Program	<u>376,618</u>	<u>389,674</u>	<u>448,473</u>

	83-84 <u>Expended</u>	84-85 <u>Budgeted</u>	85-86 <u>Proposed</u>
1200 SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM			
1102 Teachers Salary	14,558	16,296	28,962
2110 Insurance (Health)	400	720	1,700
2220 Teachers' Retirement	120	310	232
2300 FICA (Social Security)	1,003	1,120	2,071
5610 Tuition to Other Schools	54,971	55,049	55,546
6100 General Supplies and Testing Materials	390	400	600
6300 Textbooks		130	250
7410 Equipment		60	35
Total Special Education Program	71,443	74,085	89,395
1300 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM			
5610 Tuition to Other Schools	58,143	54,946	57,200
Total Vocational Education Program	58,143	54,946	57,200
1400 OTHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS			
1102 Athletic Salaries	1,260	1,497	1,497
1102 Enrichment			3,000
1102 Summer School		2,200	2,900
2300 FICA (Social Security)		100	100
3100 Special Events		750	750
6300 Block Grant	2,500	2,500	2,500
6100 Athletic Supplies	201	400	400
6100 Summer School Supplies		100	100
3900 Umpires - Referees			360
Total Other Educational Program	3,961	7,547	11,607
2000 SUPPORT SERVICES			
2110 ATTENDANCE SERVICE			
3300 Truant Officer/Census Taker	300	300	300
2120 GUIDANCE SERVICES			
3200 Achieving Testing/Readiness Testing Services	843	900	900
2130 HEALTH SERVICES			
1103 Nurse Salaries	6,269	7,028	7,520

	83-84 <u>Expended</u>	84-85 <u>Budgeted</u>	85-86 <u>Proposed</u>
2130 HEALTH SERVICES CONT.			
6100 Health Supplies/Travel	211	200	200
Total Health Services	6,480	7,228	7,720
2140 PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES			
3300 Strafford Learning Center			
Diagnostic Services	963	1,026	1,026
3300 Occupational Therapy		100	100
3300 Psychological Evaluation Service		500	500
Total Psychological Services	963	1,626	1,626
2150 SPEECH SERVICES			
4400 Contracted Teacher Service	2,748	2,800	5,600
6100 Speech Supplies and Testing Materials	32	100	300
Total Speech Services	2,780	2,900	5,900
2210 IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF			
3200 Staff Development Workshops/ Tuition	1,175	600	700
Total Improvement of Instructional Staff	1,175	600	700
2220 EDUCATIONAL MEDIA			
3900 Educational Television	212	250	250
6100 Audio Visual Materials	0	0	200
6300 Library Reference Books	281	1,500	1,500
6400 Periodicals	0	0	100
7400 Library Equipment	0	1,780	1,780
Total Educational Media	493	3,530	3,830
2300 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION			
2310 SCHOOL BOARD			
1101 School Board Salaries	500	500	750
1102 School District Moderator	0	10	10
1103 School District Treasurer	500	500	500
1104 School District Auditors	60	60	60
1105 School District Clerk	0	15	15

	83-84 <u>Expended</u>	84-85 <u>Budgeted</u>	85-86 <u>Proposed</u>
2310 SCHOOL BOARD CONT.			
1105 School District Secretary	225	225	225
5230 Fidelity Bond P	0	100	0
5400 Adv. Legal Not.	0	100	100
Total School Board	<u>1,285</u>	<u>1,510</u>	<u>1,660</u>
2320 SUPERINTENDENT			
3510 SAU Expenses	<u>25,423</u>	<u>27,918</u>	<u>30,905</u>
Total Superintendent	25,423	27,918	30,905
2410 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION			
1101 Principal's Salary	21,420	22,000	22,550
4400 Repairs to Office Equipment	110	150	150
5310 Telephone	773	800	800
5320 Postage	134		
6100 Supplies & Forms	319	200	200
8100 Professional Dues	325	325	325
8900 Graduation Expenses	150	150	150
Total School Administration	<u>23,231</u>	<u>23,625</u>	<u>24,175</u>
2500 BUSINESS			
2520 FISCAL			
1104 Bookkeeper Salary	840	880	3,000
5320 Postage	183	100	100
6100 Supplies	95	50	50
Total Fiscal	<u>1,118</u>	<u>1,030</u>	<u>3,150</u>
2540 OPERATION OF PLANT			
1109 Custodial Salaries	11,417	11,722	12,170
4400 Contracted Services	4,491	50	38,400
5210 Insurance; Multi-peril	2,736	2,216	4,583
5800 Cust. Travel	121	100	100
6100 Cleaning/Maintenance Supplies	2,221	3,750	3,750
6520 Electricity	3,560	3,000	3,300
6530 Fuel Oil	8,430	9,000	7,000
6570 Propane Gas	65	100	100
7420 Replacement of Maintenance Equipment	0	0	1,200

	83-84 <u>Expended</u>	84-85 <u>Budgeted</u>	85-86 <u>Proposed</u>
2540 OPERATION OF PLANT CONT.			
7510 Furniture Fix/New	0	1,000	400
7520 Replacement of Furniture	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>300</u>
Total Operation of Plant	33,041	30,938	71,303
2550 TRANSPORTATION			
5130 Regular Program	32,338	28,000	36,720
5130 Special Education Program	11,522	11,500	11,500
5130 Athletic Program	0	150	210
5130 Co-Curricular Program	0	150	150
5130 Class/Field Trips	<u>0</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>
Total Transportation	43,860	40,000	48,780
2900 BENEFITS			
2110 Insurance (Health)	1,425	2,809	2,900
2140 Workmen's Compensation			
Insurance (All Staff)	747	2,031	2,437
2220 Retirement	207	200	436
2300 FICA (Social Security)	<u>2,916</u>	<u>3,575</u>	<u>3,970</u>
Total Benefits	5,295	8,615	9,743
5000 OTHER OUTLAYS			
5100 DEBT SERVICE			
8300 Principal of Debt	17,167	13,957	0
8400 Interest on Debt	<u>1,157</u>	<u>347</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Debt Service	18,323	14,304	0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	674,775	691,276	809,667
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND		5,000	5,000
FOOD SERVICE FUND	<u>18,300</u>	<u>18,300</u>	<u>18,300</u>
TOTAL BUDGET	693,075	714,576	832,967
BUDGET SUMMARY			
1000 INSTRUCTION			
1100 Regular Instructional Program	376,618	389,674	448,473

	83-84 <u>Expended</u>	84-85 <u>Budgeted</u>	85-86 <u>Proposed</u>
1000 INSTRUCTION CONT.			
1200 Special Education Program	71,443	74,085	89,395
1300 Vocational Program	58,143	54,946	57,200
1400 Other Educational Programs	3,961	7,547	11,607
Total Instructional Programs	510,165	526,252	606,675
2000 SUPPORT SERVICES			
2110 Attendance Service	300	300	300
2120 Guidance Service	843	900	900
2130 Health Services	6,480	7,228	7,720
2140 Psychological Services	963	1,626	1,626
2150 Speech Services	2,780	2,900	5,900
2210 Improvement of Staff	1,175	600	700
2220 Educational Media	493	3,530	3,830
2310 School Board	1,285	1,510	1,660
2320 Superintendent's Office	25,423	27,918	30,905
2410 School Administration	23,231	23,625	24,175
2520 Fiscal	1,118	1,030	3,150
2540 Operation of the Plant	33,041	30,938	71,303
2550 Transportation	43,860	40,000	48,780
2900 Benefits	5,295	8,615	9,743
Total Support Services	146,287	150,720	210,692
5000 OTHER OUTLAYS			
8300 Principal of Debt	17,167	13,957	0
8400 Interest of Debt	1,157	347	0
Other Outlay Total	18,323	14,304	0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	674,775	691,276	817,367
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND TOTAL		5,000	5,000
FOOD SERVICE TOTAL	18,300	18,300	18,300
TOTAL BUDGET	693,075	714,576	840,667

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
STRAFFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
March 6, 1984**

The Annual Meeting of the Strafford School District was called to order

at 7 p.m., March 6, 1984 by Moderator David Meserve.

A motion was made by Erma Clark that the meeting be postponed until 7:30 p.m. since it had appeared in the town calendar for that time. The motion was seconded and a vote in the affirmative was made by a show of cards.

The meeting was called to order again at 7:30 by the Moderator. The Warrant Articles were read as posted.

Article I. - The Chairperson of the school board, Christine Bozak, moved to accept the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto. This motion was seconded and the vote by show of cards was in the affirmative.

Article II. - Was read as follows: To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate in addition to the original 1983-1984 appropriation a sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to be made available to the school district prior to July 1, 1984 in order to meet unanticipated obligations caused by mandated special education tuition expenditures (deficit appropriation).

School board chairperson, Christine Bozak addressed this article by means of a chart which depicted projected increased costs for special education in 1984-85 school year. This year, the enrollment of a new student needing special education cost the school \$10,000 in unanticipated tuition costs.

At this point, in anticipation of Article IV, Mrs. Bozak presented another chart depicting the increase in teachers' salaries of 8.5% which was in accord with the agreement made with the Strafford School teachers last year. The 22% increase in benefits was questioned from the floor and school board member, Earl Kalil, explained that the actual dollar value of said benefits was approximately \$1,500-\$2,000 (fifteen hundred to two thousand dollars).

Tyler Brown inquired about the cause of such a dramatic increase in the cost of benefits. Mr. Kalil responded that it was due to an increase in the cost of medical coverage and was in accord with the teachers' contract made last year.

Mrs. Bozak then presented a chart describing the situation with our high school students who presently number one hundred and thirty-five (135).

Next year is budgeted for 95 students who are expected to be in Spaulding High School, Dover High School and Coe-Brown Academy.

Carolyn Clarke asked the requirements for attending Coe-Brown or Dover High School. Mrs. Bozak explained that those students do so in order to take agricultural or vocational courses not available at Spaulding High School.

Thomas Stano asked if there is a ceiling on tuition costs and was informed

by SAU No. 44 Administrator, Barry Clough, that there is included in our area agreement with Rochester a tuition formula. This also includes a 2% rental fee for use of facilities each year. Students attending Dover Vocational High School have 75% of the tuition difference from Spaulding High School paid for by the State. Those students attending Coe-Brown Academy must pay this difference themselves. The town will only pay tuition in the amount of Spaulding's yearly rate.

Thomas Stano asked if the town must pay for any type of education a student may want.

Mr. Clough explained that we are in an area agreement which is a legal contract with Spaulding High School. Only if a student wishes agricultural or vocational courses not available at Spaulding High School, may he attend Dover High School or Coe-Brown Academy with the tuition differences paid as previously explained.

There was a question from the floor inquiring how much time is left on our contract with Spaulding High School. It was stated by Mr. Kalil that it is in effect until 1989.

Mr. George Waldron wanted to know if we pay any busing for high school students. It was stated by the board that we do not. The State reimburses the school district for mileage in the transportation of students to Dover's Vocational High School and that money is turned over to the parents of those students in Strafford.

Tyler Brown asked what the tuition rates were for Spaulding High School this year and last year.

Mr. Clough stated 1984-85 tuition rates at the area high schools to be: \$2,598 for Spaulding (a 28% increase from last year's tuition of \$2,167), Coe-Brown - \$2,450 and Dover - \$2,650.

John Young asked if Spaulding High School can just keep increasing its tuition like that. Mr. Clough responded that there are State standards regarding this. Mr. Kalil then remarked that the tuition increases are, in fact, uncontrollable and we have no way to avoid them.

It was then asked from the floor why the board will pay tuition for Coe-Brown Academy or Dover High School and not a private school such as St. Thomas Aquinas.

Mr. Clough answered that it would be against the Constitutional law that separates Church from State.

Tyler Brown then asked if that also pertains to any private school.

Mr. Clough responded that it is not constitutional to spend any public funds for a private institution.

Article II was re-read by Mr. Meserve as previously recorded here. A motion was made by Erma Clark to approve. It was seconded and there were no questions on the motion. The article passed in the affirmative by card

vote.

Article III. - To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters of the 1983 annual school district meeting in accordance with the provisions of RSA35 to be used for future capital improvement to the School.

Earl Kalil moved to adopt the article as read and Tyler Brown seconded the motion.

George Waldron asked what exactly is done with this money.

Mr. Kalil stated that the board is the trustee of this fund which earns interest, but only a vote of the residents of Strafford can allocate this money for use. He then gave the example of the possibility of using it to replace the school boiler sometime in the future.

The motion was passed in the affirmative by a card vote after there was no further questions on the motion.

Article IV. - To see what sum of money the school district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the school district.

A chart was presented by Mrs. Bozak depicting the school district's revenues and credits and the proposed sum of \$726,596 for the article (an increase from the previous year of 6.6%).

A motion was made by Jim Wilder to vote to appropriate that sum. This was seconded.

Mr. Waldron questions the stated amount of \$726,596, pointing out that we had already voted for \$17,000 in Articles II and III and voting on the stated amount in this article would appropriate \$17,000 in excess of what was requested.

Mr. Clough asked if it would be acceptable that the article read "to exclude the \$17,000 already voted in articles II and III?"

Mr. Waldron replied, "Yes."

Mr. Wilder modified the article to read "to vote to raise \$709,596 in addition to the remainder already voted upon." This was seconded by Mr. Kalil.

Mr. Waldron then requested that the motion be worded to read "previously voted" rather and "already voted".

Tyler Brown asked when the agreement with Spaulding High School would be ended.

Erma Clark responded that it would be in 1989 when she would no longer be on the school board.

Mr. Brown asked the board if they were making any plans for after that date 5 years away.

Mrs. Clark responded that no plans had been discussed.

Mr. Kalil stated that the board would be willing to discuss this when and if it is brought up by other area schools. He mentioned that Coe-Brown Academy has expressed an interest in a regional high school and that we would be involved in any discussion if asked.

Mrs. Clark mentioned that Barnstead is also looking into the possibility of a regional high school.

Mr. Brown then remarked that it might be a good idea to let them know we are interested.

Bonnie Inglis asked the meaning of the term "catastrophic aid" listed on page 62 of the town report.

Mr. Clough answered that this is for direct special education aid which is targeted for any out of district placement for a child's special needs up to \$9,000.

Mr. Tyler Brown asked the board what the anticipated school enrollment for the town was.

Mr. Kalil stated their figures were 95 (ninety-five) students for high school and 218 (two hundred and eighteen) for grades 1-8 (one through eight) with the hopes that the enrollment in the near future could even go below three hundred students (300).

A question was asked from the floor regarding the line item "earnings on investments" on page 62 of the report. It was explained by the board that this was a revenue; earned interest on monies in the school's account, and not an expenditure.

Mr. George Waldron drew attention to page 46 of the report where the balance of the Report of the School District Treasurer on July 26, 1983 read, \$19,052.22 and questioned if this was a surplus of funds.

Mr. Kalil explained that this was a cash balance, not a surplus and was money obligated.

The amendment article was reread by the Moderator and a vote was taken by card and it was voted in the affirmative.

Article V. - To see if the school district will authorize the school board to make applications for and to receive and expend, in the name of the district, such advances, grants in aid, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government and/or State agencies; and/or other sources in accordance with the provisions of RSA198:20-b.

Mr. Kalil moved that this article be appropriated and Mr. Jim Wilder seconded the motion.

Mr. Thomas Stano stated that it is frustrating that a state agency which gives a mere 10% of this support for our school needs can mandate how and what we spend our monies on. He urged that the board make the utmost use

of this article.

The article was then passed in the affirmative by a card vote.

Article VII. - To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

At this point, Mr. Kalil presented to those in attendance a declaration of a school trust which is a private, charitable trust. It is separate from the school district or the school board and has been established to assist the Strafford School with financial needs. Donations to this trust, which are tax deductible, are encouraged so that when sufficient money has been accrued, the trustees could address some of the school's long term needs, such as the initiation of a kindergarten or the addition of more classrooms to the school. Mr. Kalil stated that this type of trust should have been established years ago and that it is an appropriate channel for the donation of memorial funds. The trustees will have a meeting in the late spring to establish guidelines and to publish and advertise its existence.

Billye Waldron inquired if the trustees are the town trustees.

Mr. Kalil responded in the negative; that this is a board of seven comprised of people who are residents of Strafford and who are self-appointed.

Mr. Sawicki asked if there would be any restrictions on the trustees such as only being able to spend the interest on the principle.

Mr. Kalil stated this would be difficult initially since the principle would be small and some allowance would have to be made to invade it if a real need arose.

Mr. Bruce Patrick asked if this was a public school fund.

Mr. Kalil stated that it is a private fund, separate from the town or school district. The conditions stated in Article III of the warrant would apply to this fund regarding what monies could be spent on. The fund would be monitored by the state of New Hampshire which sets up standards and guidelines.

Mrs. Maureen Sawicki asked how the people of Strafford would contact the trustees if a need arose.

Mr. Kalil stated that the trustees be approached individually and directly in this case.

At this point, Chairperson of the Board, Christine Bozak, brought up the topic of school sessions on Saturday when a regular school day has been cancelled due to inclement weather. This practice was established two years ago when school was not able to finish until late June due to accumulated snow days. However, many parents have complained about this position and due to fewer cancellations this year as well as an opening of school before Labor Day, this practice will no longer be in effect. Any days, this year, lost due to weather conditions, will be made up in June, up until June 15.

Bill Rainey stated that he was in agreement with this especially since his children were told this year that they didn't need to attend school on those Saturdays when school was scheduled.

Tyler Brown questioned the practice of beginning school before Labor Day in view of the fact that many families were still on vacation at this time.

Mr. Dick Boyle responded that very few students were unable to attend before Labor Day for that reason. He also stated that attendance was 61% on the day school was in session on Saturday.

Mr. Brown also questioned school being held on a national holiday this year.

Mr. Boyle responded that Washington's Birthday falls during the school holiday week next year.

Earl Kalil moved that the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded and approved in the affirmative by a card vote of those in attendance at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christina A. Brown
Strafford School District Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1984

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
January 1	Ryan A. Christenbury	Portsmouth	Parks L. Christenbury III	Suzanne K. Pomerleau
March 9	Megan M. Clark	Rochester	David S. Clark	Paula A. Knight
March 22	Edward A. Rich IV	Rochester	Edward A. Rich III	Elizabeth A. Richardson
April 2	Lindsey E. Grant	Dover	James R. Grant	Linda Stevens
April 11	Marcine A. Bailey	Rochester	Dennis C. Bailey	Barbara K. Pancheri
May 1	Katlin E. Whitcher	Concord	Mark W. Whitcher	Judith L. McCartin
May 12	Ross E. Ewald, Jr.	Rochester	Ross E. Ewald	Sandra A. Bickford
May 17	Thomas J. Dupere	Rochester	John P. Dupere	Elaine Heron
May 25	Kristopher R. Berry	Concord	Alfred R. Berry III	Brenda S. Dodge
June 7	Sean M. Conroy	Laconia	Michael G. Conroy	Cynthia A. Jeffrey
June 13	Kaylan E. Rogers	Dover	Richard D. Rogers	Patricia A. Healy
June 27	Alicia J. Stiles	Ctr. Strafford	Gary J. Stiles	Jane Procter
July 9	Brian D. Corcoran	Concord	Christopher P. Corcoran	Kathleen M. Mullalety
July 20	Isaiah D. Smith	Dover	Lawrence G. Smith	Nancy M. George
July 22	Tyler R. Omand	Concord	Kerry D. Omand	Sharon A. Lamphere
July 30	Erin B. Houghton	Rochester	James B. Houghton	Patricia T. LaBrie
August 4	Erik E. Dahlgren	Dover	Brian E. Dahlgren	Wendy M. Berthiaume
August 6	Cara L. Scala	Rochester	John A. Scala	Julie-Anne P. Berube
August 9	Allyn M. Belair	Dover	Marc J. Belair	Debbie L. MacKay
August 24	Christopher J. Odell	Dover	Ralph H. Odell Jr.	Beth E. Olman
September 12	Sara B. Hodil	Rochester	Henry J. Hodil	Jennifer L. Hastings
September 16	Sieran G. Lucey	Dover	George K. Lucey	Virginia G. Gustafson
September 30	Allison M. Boehm	Concord	Wolfgang L. Boehm	Janice C. Paterson

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
September 25	Timothy A. Locke	Dover	Kerry W. Locke	Wendy L. Paine
November 8	Shaun R. Herget	Concord	Richard M. Herget Jr.	Denise M. Cini
November 10	Megan A. Sperl	Rochester	Kevin J. Sperl	Renee M. Cicerchi
November 11	Lauren M. Tanner	Portsmouth	Thomas N. Tanner	Janice R. Burrows
December 6	Michele L. A. McMahan	Rochester	Timothy D. McMahan	Debra L. A. LaPanne
December 18	Amy K. Conroy	Rochester	Joseph Liam Conroy	Kathleen A. Richardson

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Billye M. Waldron

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1984

Date	Name of Groom	Residence	Name of Bride	Residence
May 12	Charles H. Goodwin, Jr.	Strafford	Rachel Derosiers	Strafford
May 19	Jeffrey R. Berry	Strafford	Anne F. Irving	Strafford
June 16	Anthony C. Kathan	Strafford	Joyce E. Scribner	Deerfield
July 21	James N. Avery	Rochester	Terry R. Twombly	Strafford
August 25	Gerald R. Bibeau, Jr.	Rochester	Laurie A. Huckins	Strafford
September 8	Bernard W. Fonner	Strafford	F. Robin Bursey	Londonderry
October 4	Robert J. Dunham	Strafford	Nancy J. Reilly	Strafford
October 9	Matthew S. Dupee	Strafford	Jacqueline A. Cuddihy	Strafford
October 23	John J. Scott, Jr.	Strafford	Patricia F. Scott	Strafford
November 30	J. Roland Guay	Rochester	Frances C. Brown	Strafford
December 8	Tom Korst	Strafford	Doris A. Tardif	Pembroke
December 25	Rocky G. Rand	Strafford	Mary S. Wilson	Strafford

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRAFFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1984

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Place of Death	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
January 26	William B. Lynbourn	Rochester	William J. Lynbourn	Mary Bechtol
February 5	Bernice M. Cilley	Strafford	Everett L. Gould	Gladys M. Wilcox
February 18	Phyllis M. Cummings	Concord	Herbert Ames	Josephine Cronin
April 18	John K. Waterhouse	Dover	John R. Waterhouse	Eva Keith
May 20	Hattie M. Foss	Strafford	Hiram Berry	Eliza Winkley
June 10	Jeffrey W. Porter	Strafford	William E. Porter	Norma Dufoe
July 25	Elizabeth Hodil	Strafford	James Muier	Unknown
September 2	Dorothy M. Jacques	Rochester	Orrin Kelly	Mary E. Downing
September 17	Edna K. White	Strafford	Unknown Smith	Unknown
September 18	Robert M. Huckins	Rochester	E. Guy Huckins	Ruth Brock
September 27	Samuel Brown	Concord	Arthur E. Brown	Annie M. Montgomery
October 8	Forrest R. Winkley	Rochester	Hiram A. Winkley	Carrie B. Preston
December 9	Mildred L. Mayers	Rochester	Leon Lovering	Rena Christie

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